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CANADA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	JAN 1999	DEC 1999	JAN 2000	CHANGE JAN '99-'00	JAN 1999	DEC 1999	JAN 2000	CHANGE JAN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	15,625.9	15,822.3	15,869.3	243.4	15,305.7	15,642.9	15,537.7	232.0
EMPLOYED ('000)	14,388.6	14,747.5	14,791.8	403.2	13,993.8	14,648.4	14,399.2	405.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	1,237.3	1,074.9	1,077.5	(159.8)	1,311.9	994.5	1,138.5	(173.4)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	7.9	6.8	6.8	(1.1)	8.6	6.4	7.3	(1.3)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.6	65.6	65.7	0.1	64.2	64.9	64.4	0.2

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	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	JAN 1999	DEC 1999	JAN 2000	CHANGE JAN '99-'00	JAN 1999	DEC 1999	JAN 2000	CHANGE JAN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	446.7	457.9	462.5	15.8	433.2	451.4	449.3	16.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	404.1	413.9	417.5	13.4	389.0	410.3	402.8	13.8
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	42.5	44.1	45.0	2.5	44.1	41.1	46.6	2.5
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.5	9.6	9.7	0.2	10.2	9.1	10.4	0.2
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.5	61.6	62.1	1.6	58.7	60.7	60.3	1.6

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

	JAN 1999	DEC 1999	JAN 2000	CHANGE JAN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	241.6	245.8	245.8	4.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	198.2	211.2	204.1	5.9
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	43.4	34.6	41.7	(1.7)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	18.8	13.2	18.2	(0.6)
--Seasonally Adjusted	18.0	14.1	17.0	(1.0)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	55.0	56.0	55.9	0.9

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

	JAN 1999	DEC 1999	JAN 2000	CHANGE JAN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	71.4	73.0	73.5	2.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	60.0	63.7	64.4	4.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	11.5	9.3	9.2	(2.3)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	21.1	14.7	16.6	(4.5)
--Seasonally Adjusted	16.1	12.7	12.5	(3.6)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.6	67.2	67.6	(1.0)

NEW BRUNSWICK

	JAN 1999	DEC 1999	JAN 2000	CHANGE JAN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	371.9	366.7	367.0	(4.9)
EMPLOYED ('000)	328.8	329.4	332.4	3.6
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	43.1	37.3	34.6	(8.5)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	13.3	10.0	10.7	(2.6)
--Seasonally Adjusted	11.6	10.2	9.4	(2.2)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	62.2	61.0	61.0	(1.2)

QUEBEC

	JAN 1999	DEC 1999	JAN 2000	CHANGE JAN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	3,703.7	3,726.5	3,734.4	30.7
EMPLOYED ('000)	3,340.3	3,425.6	3,428.7	88.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	363.4	300.9	305.7	(57.7)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	10.8	7.9	9.0	(1.8)
--Seasonally Adjusted	9.8	8.1	8.2	(1.6)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	63.0	63.0	63.1	0.1

NOTE: For regional unemployment rates, see page 5.
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ONTARIO

	JAN 1999	DEC 1999	JAN 2000	CHANGE JAN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	6,000.8	6,112.3	6,142.4	141.6
EMPLOYED ('000)	5,603.5	5,774.0	5,795.3	191.8
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	397.4	338.3	347.2	(50.2)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	7.0	4.9	6.0	(1.0)
--Seasonally Adjusted	6.6	5.5	5.7	(0.9)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.4	66.6	66.8	0.4

MANITOBA

	JAN 1999	DEC 1999	JAN 2000	CHANGE JAN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	570.4	575.7	580.0	9.6
EMPLOYED ('000)	537.5	546.0	549.9	12.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	32.9	29.7	30.1	(2.8)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	6.5	5.2	5.8	(0.7)
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.8	5.2	5.2	(0.6)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.2	67.3	67.8	0.6

SASKATCHEWAN

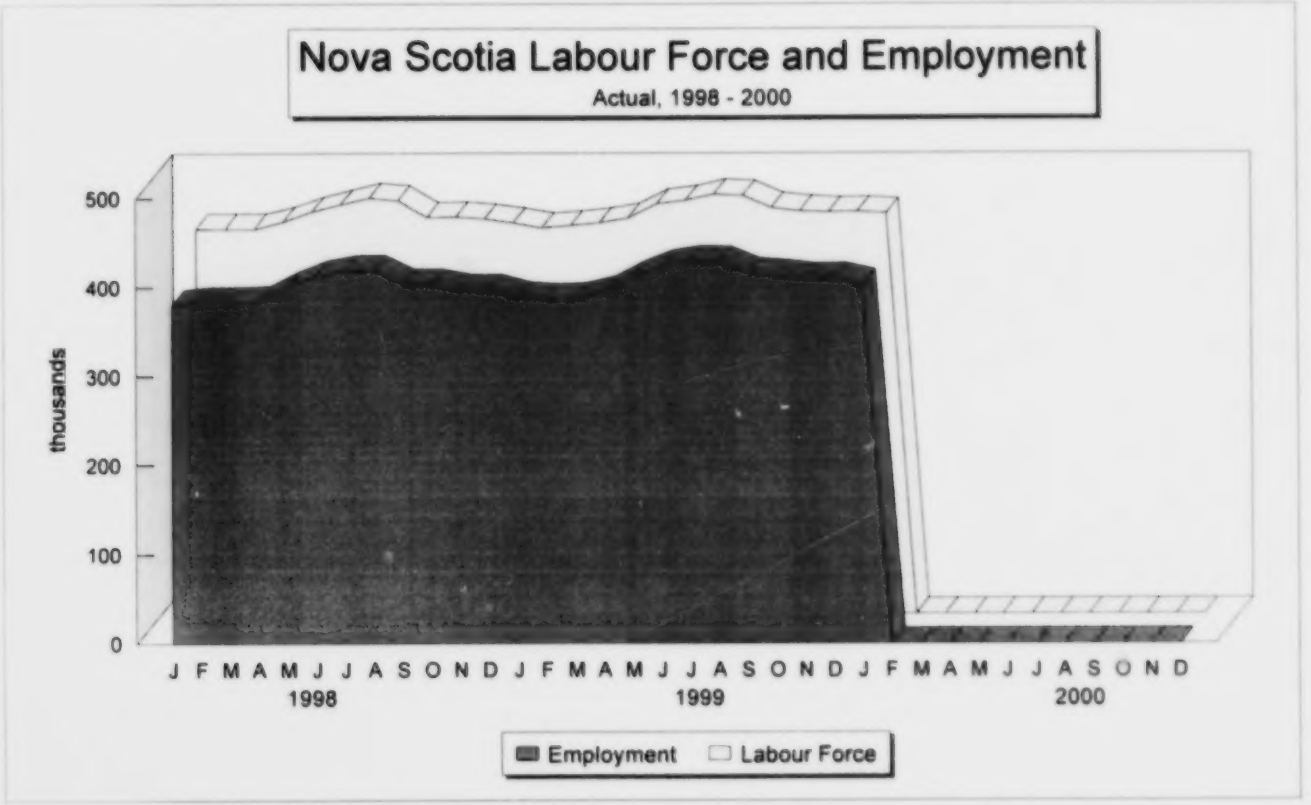
	JAN 1999	DEC 1999	JAN 2000	CHANGE JAN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	509.2	511.0	514.6	5.4
EMPLOYED ('000)	476.7	483.9	488.2	11.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	32.5	27.1	26.5	(6.0)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	7.1	4.8	5.6	(1.5)
--Seasonally Adjusted	6.4	5.3	5.1	(1.3)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.8	67.0	67.4	0.6

ALBERTA

	JAN 1999	DEC 1999	JAN 2000	CHANGE JAN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	1,635.3	1,662.0	1,661.5	26.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,537.4	1,571.7	1,575.4	38.0
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	97.9	90.3	86.1	(11.8)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	6.4	4.9	5.5	(0.9)
--Seasonally Adjusted	6.0	5.4	5.2	(0.8)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	72.8	72.6	72.4	(0.4)

BRITISH COLUMBIA

	JAN 1999	DEC 1999	JAN 2000	CHANGE JAN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	2,074.9	2,091.4	2,087.6	12.7
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,902.2	1,928.2	1,935.9	33.7
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	172.7	163.2	151.6	(21.1)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	9.1	7.2	7.8	(1.3)
--Seasonally Adjusted	8.3	7.8	7.3	(1.0)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.3	65.1	64.9	(0.4)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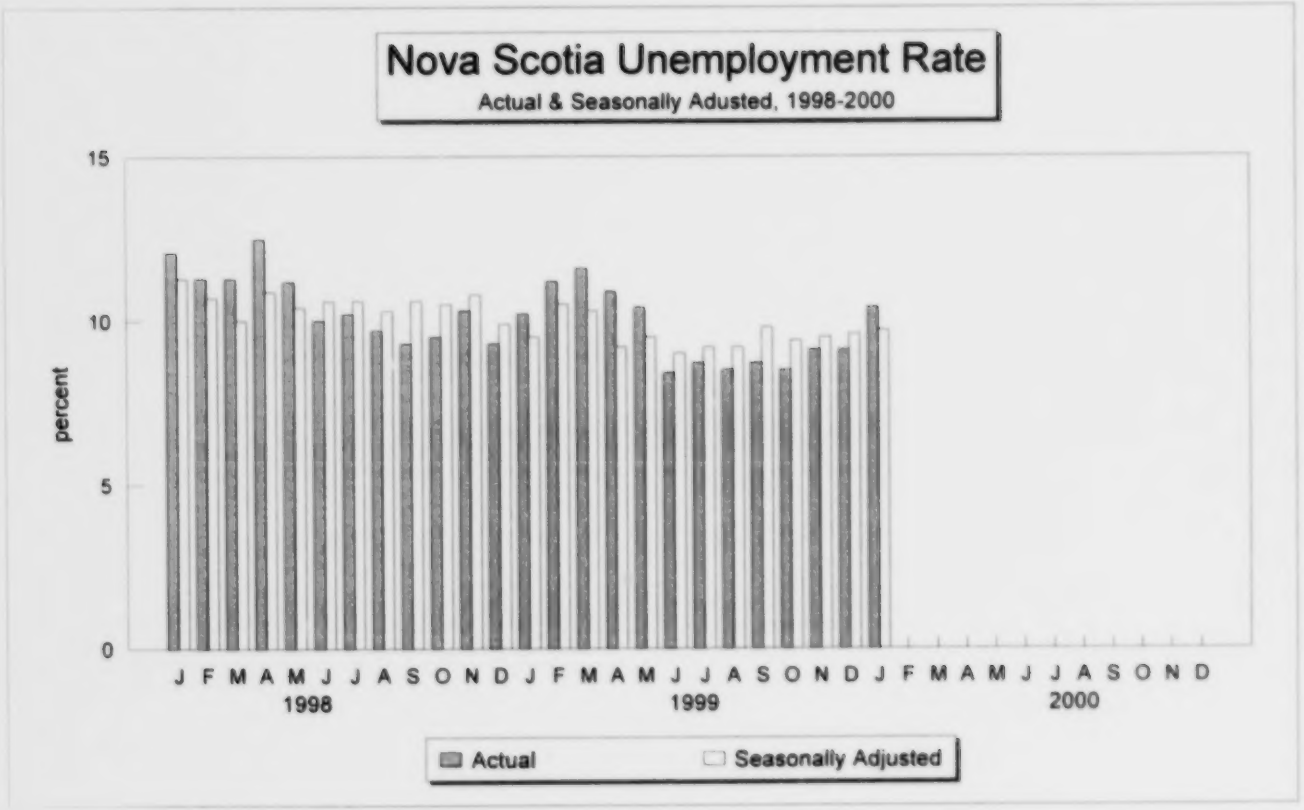
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HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	JAN 1999	DEC 1999	JAN 2000	CHANGE JAN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	184.1	190.2	191.3	7.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	172.3	176.8	178.5	6.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	11.8	13.3	12.9	1.1
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	6.4	7.0	6.7	0.3
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.7	69.2	69.5	1.8

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	JAN 1999	DEC 1999	JAN 2000	CHANGE JAN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	438.3	451.4	450.4	12.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	394.8	411.1	407.5	12.7
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	43.5	40.2	42.9	(0.6)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.9	8.9	9.5	(0.4)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	59.4	60.7	60.5	1.1

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

CAPE BRETON

	JAN 1999	DEC 1999	JAN 2000	CHANGE JAN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	63.1	61.7	62.7	(0.4)
EMPLOYED ('000)	50.1	50.8	50.5	0.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	13.0	10.9	12.1	(0.9)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	20.6	17.7	19.3	(1.3)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	51.1	50.1	50.9	(0.2)

NORTH SHORE

	JAN 1999	DEC 1999	JAN 2000	CHANGE JAN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	72.5	75.1	75.2	2.7
EMPLOYED ('000)	64.6	69.1	68.3	3.7
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	7.9	6.0	6.9	(1.0)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	10.9	8.0	9.2	(1.7)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	55.1	56.8	56.8	1.7

ANNAPOLIS VALLEY

	JAN 1999	DEC 1999	JAN 2000	CHANGE JAN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	54.4	59.7	57.8	3.4
EMPLOYED ('000)	50.0	55.5	53.3	3.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	4.4	4.1	4.5	0.1
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	8.1	6.9	7.8	(0.3)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	55.7	60.4	58.4	2.7

SOUTHERN

	JAN 1999	DEC 1999	JAN 2000	CHANGE JAN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	59.3	58.8	58.3	(1.0)
EMPLOYED ('000)	52.5	52.9	51.7	(0.8)
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	6.7	5.9	6.5	(0.2)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	11.3	10.0	11.1	(0.2)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	57.4	56.6	56.1	(1.3)

HALIFAX

	JAN 1999	DEC 1999	JAN 2000	CHANGE JAN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	189.1	196.0	196.5	7.4
EMPLOYED ('000)	177.6	182.8	183.6	6.0
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	11.5	13.2	12.9	1.4
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	6.1	6.7	6.6	0.5
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.6	67.8	67.2	(0.4)

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)

Seasonally Adjusted

	1998 DEC	1999 JAN	1999 DEC	2000 JAN
Total	401.6	404.2	413.9	417.5
Goods-Producing Sector	88.4	89.3	92.4	93.8
Agriculture	6.7	5.5	7.9	7.9
Forestry, Fishing, Mining, Oil and Gas	15.7	15.4	16.4	18.6
Utilities	1.4	1.4	2.5	2.4
Construction	23.6	22.6	20.6	20.7
Manufacturing	41.1	44.4	45.0	44.2
Services-Producing Sector	313.3	314.9	321.5	323.8
Trade	70.1	70.3	72.4	73.9
Transportation and Warehousing	18.9	20.1	21.7	19.9
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Leasing	23.8	23.4	23.3	23.1
Professional, Scientific and Technical Servic	18.1	17.7	14.8	14.8
Management, Administrative and Other Supp	11.8	12.8	15.0	15.4
Educational Services	29.8	29.8	31.7	31.5
Health Care and Social Assistance	49.5	49.0	47.5	49.3
Information, Culture and Recreation	15.0	14.7	16.3	17.0
Accommodation and Food Services	27.6	28.5	28.8	27.4
Other Services	20.6	22.5	24.3	25.1
Public Administration	28.2	26.0	25.7	26.5

EMPLOYMENT - ACTUAL - 000's

	Total				Full-Time				Part-Time			
	JAN 1999	DEC 1999	JAN 2000	CHANGE JAN '99-'00	JAN 1999	DEC 1999	JAN 2000	CHANGE JAN '99-'00	JAN 1999	DEC 1999	JAN 2000	CHANGE JAN '99-'00
CANADA	13,993.8	14,648.4	14,399.2	405.4	11,168.8	11,850.7	11,608.4	439.6	2,825.0	2,797.7	2,790.8	(34.2)
NEWFOUNDLAND	184.0	205.2	188.5	4.5	155.3	169.8	155.3	0.0	28.7	35.4	33.2	4.5
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	54.2	59.9	58.4	4.2	42.8	48.6	47.0	4.2	11.4	11.3	11.4	0.0
NOVA SCOTIA	389.0	410.3	402.8	13.8	305.7	333.8	321.0	15.3	83.4	76.5	81.8	(1.6)
NEW BRUNSWICK	306.8	320.9	310.8	4.0	251.8	264.2	255.4	3.6	55.0	56.7	55.3	0.3
QUEBEC	3,228.5	3,390.5	3,317.9	89.4	2,609.8	2,774.8	2,695.8	86.0	618.7	615.7	622.0	3.3
ONTARIO	5,479.0	5,759.6	5,668.3	189.3	4,393.7	4,691.1	4,618.9	225.2	1,085.3	1,068.4	1,049.4	(35.9)
MANITOBA	523.9	542.3	537.1	13.2	411.0	433.0	428.9	17.9	112.9	109.3	108.2	(4.7)
SASKATCHEWAN	461.8	479.6	474.2	12.4	356.4	374.7	367.9	11.5	105.4	104.9	106.4	1.0
ALBERTA	1,506.4	1,561.9	1,544.8	38.4	1,192.0	1,251.0	1,224.2	32.2	314.4	310.9	320.6	6.2
BRITISH COLUMBIA	1,860.1	1,918.3	1,896.5	36.4	1,450.3	1,509.6	1,494.0	43.7	409.8	408.6	402.5	(7.3)

15-24 AGE GROUP - ACTUAL

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	JAN 1999	DEC 1999	JAN 2000	CHANGE JAN '99-'00	JAN 1999	DEC 1999	JAN 2000	CHANGE JAN '99-'00	JAN 1999	DEC 1999	JAN 2000	CHANGE JAN '99-'00
CANADA	2,363.3	2,458.4	2,388.7	25.4	2,005.3	2,176.6	2,075.2	69.9	15.1	11.5	13.1	(2.0)
NEWFOUNDLAND	31.4	33.3	32.4	1.0	21.5	26.8	23.9	2.4	31.5	19.5	26.2	(5.3)
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	11.7	12.3	12.2	0.5	8.6	10.3	9.9	1.3	27.4	16.3	18.9	(8.5)
NOVA SCOTIA	67.8	72.2	70.6	2.8	54.0	61.9	58.5	4.5	20.4	14.3	17.1	(3.3)
NEW BRUNSWICK	58.2	57.6	55.3	(2.9)	47.4	48.9	45.5	(1.9)	18.6	15.1	17.7	(0.9)
QUEBEC	543.9	568.9	543.0	(0.9)	445.6	489.5	460.0	14.4	18.1	14.0	15.3	(2.8)
ONTARIO	883.7	922.2	898.4	14.7	763.9	833.7	790.9	27.0	13.6	9.6	12.0	(1.6)
MANITOBA	95.8	99.9	97.1	1.3	84.2	90.9	86.9	2.7	12.1	9.1	10.5	(1.6)
SASKATCHEWAN	84.4	88.8	86.5	2.1	72.9	81.4	77.5	4.6	13.6	8.3	10.4	(3.2)
ALBERTA	279.6	295.3	291.1	11.5	247.2	262.9	256.7	9.5	11.6	11.0	11.8	0.2
BRITISH COLUMBIA	306.8	308.0	302.2	(4.6)	260.1	270.2	265.5	5.4	15.2	12.3	12.1	(3.1)

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CANADA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	FEB 1999	JAN 2000	FEB 2000	CHANGE FEB '99-'00	FEB 1999	JAN 2000	FEB 2000	CHANGE FEB '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	15,632.0	15,869.3	15,907.0	275.0	15,370.4	15,537.7	15,643.5	273.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	14,394.5	14,791.8	14,827.5	433.0	14,065.9	14,399.2	14,507.1	441.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	1,237.5	1,077.5	1,079.5	(158.0)	1,304.4	1,138.5	1,136.4	(168.0)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	7.9	6.8	6.8	(1.1)	8.5	7.3	7.3	(1.2)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.5	65.7	65.8	0.3	64.4	64.4	64.7	0.3

NOVA SCOTIA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	FEB 1999	JAN 2000	FEB 2000	CHANGE FEB '99-'00	FEB 1999	JAN 2000	FEB 2000	CHANGE FEB '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	449.4	462.5	461.7	12.3	435.4	449.3	447.7	12.3
EMPLOYED ('000)	402.3	417.5	417.0	14.7	386.9	402.8	401.1	14.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	47.1	45.0	44.8	(2.3)	48.6	46.6	46.6	(2.0)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	10.5	9.7	9.7	(0.8)	11.2	10.4	10.4	(0.8)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.9	62.1	62.0	1.1	59.0	60.3	60.1	1.1

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

	FEB 1999	JAN 2000	FEB 2000	CHANGE FEB '99-'00	FEB 1999	JAN 2000	FEB 2000	CHANGE FEB '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	239.4	245.8	247.2	7.8	71.4	73.5	73.2	1.8
EMPLOYED ('000)	200.7	204.1	203.6	2.9	60.5	64.4	64.8	4.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	38.7	41.7	43.6	4.9	10.9	9.2	8.4	(2.5)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	16.7	18.2	18.6	1.9	19.3	16.6	14.4	(4.9)
--Seasonally Adjusted	16.2	17.0	17.6	1.4	15.3	12.5	11.5	(3.8)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	54.6	55.9	56.2	1.6	66.5	67.6	67.2	(0.7)

NEW BRUNSWICK

QUEBEC

	FEB 1999	JAN 2000	FEB 2000	CHANGE FEB '99-'00	FEB 1999	JAN 2000	FEB 2000	CHANGE FEB '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	371.9	367.0	366.7	(5.2)	3,685.5	3,734.4	3,742.0	56.5
EMPLOYED ('000)	328.8	332.4	331.3	2.5	3,325.7	3,428.7	3,430.6	104.9
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	43.1	34.6	35.4	(7.7)	359.8	305.7	311.4	(48.4)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	12.9	10.7	10.7	(2.2)	10.6	9.0	9.1	(1.5)
--Seasonally Adjusted	11.6	9.4	9.7	(1.9)	9.8	8.2	8.3	(1.5)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	62.2	61.0	60.9	(1.3)	62.7	63.1	63.2	0.5

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ONTARIO

	FEB 1999	JAN 2000	FEB 2000	CHANGE FEB '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	6,015.2	6,142.4	6,156.1	140.9
EMPLOYED ('000)	5,610.8	5,795.3	5,804.2	193.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	404.4	347.2	351.9	(52.5)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	7.1	6.0	6.1	(1.0)
--Seasonally Adjusted	6.7	5.7	5.7	(1.0)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.5	66.8	66.9	0.4

MANITOBA

	FEB 1999	JAN 2000	FEB 2000	CHANGE FEB '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	570.8	580.0	580.6	9.8
EMPLOYED ('000)	539.5	549.9	549.6	10.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	31.3	30.1	31.0	(0.3)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	5.9	5.8	5.7	(0.2)
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.5	5.2	5.3	(0.2)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.2	67.8	67.9	0.7

SASKATCHEWAN

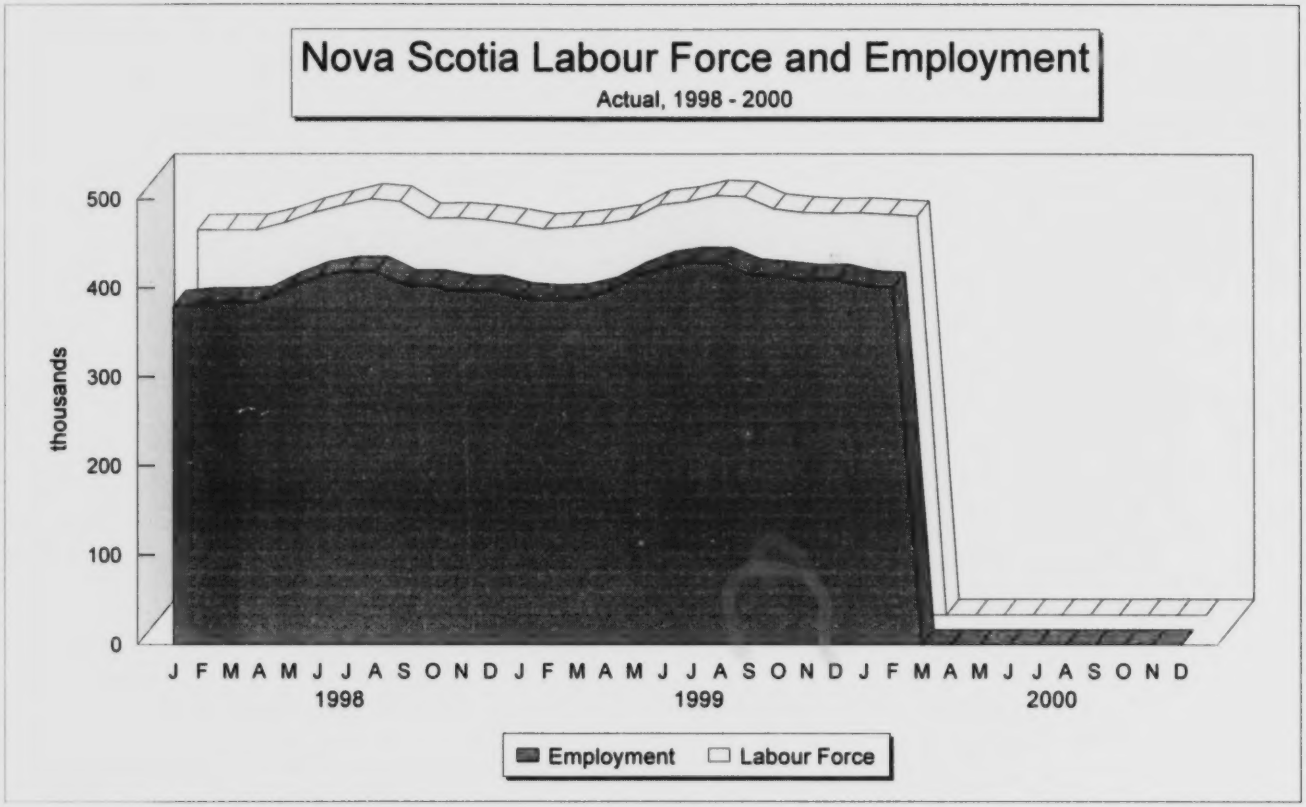
	FEB 1999	JAN 2000	FEB 2000	CHANGE FEB '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	511.3	514.6	514.0	2.7
EMPLOYED ('000)	477.1	488.2	490.2	13.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	34.2	26.5	23.9	(10.3)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	7.6	5.6	5.1	(2.5)
--Seasonally Adjusted	6.7	5.1	4.6	(2.1)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.0	67.4	67.3	0.3

ALBERTA

	FEB 1999	JAN 2000	FEB 2000	CHANGE FEB '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	1,640.7	1,661.5	1,667.1	26.4
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,544.8	1,575.4	1,585.8	41.0
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	95.9	86.1	81.3	(14.6)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	6.2	5.5	5.0	(1.2)
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.8	5.2	4.9	(0.9)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	72.9	72.4	72.6	(0.3)

BRITISH COLUMBIA

	FEB 1999	JAN 2000	FEB 2000	CHANGE FEB '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	2,076.5	2,087.6	2,098.3	21.8
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,904.3	1,935.9	1,950.4	46.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	172.1	151.6	147.9	(24.2)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	8.9	7.8	7.5	(1.4)
--Seasonally Adjusted	8.3	7.3	7.0	(1.3)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.3	64.9	65.1	(0.2)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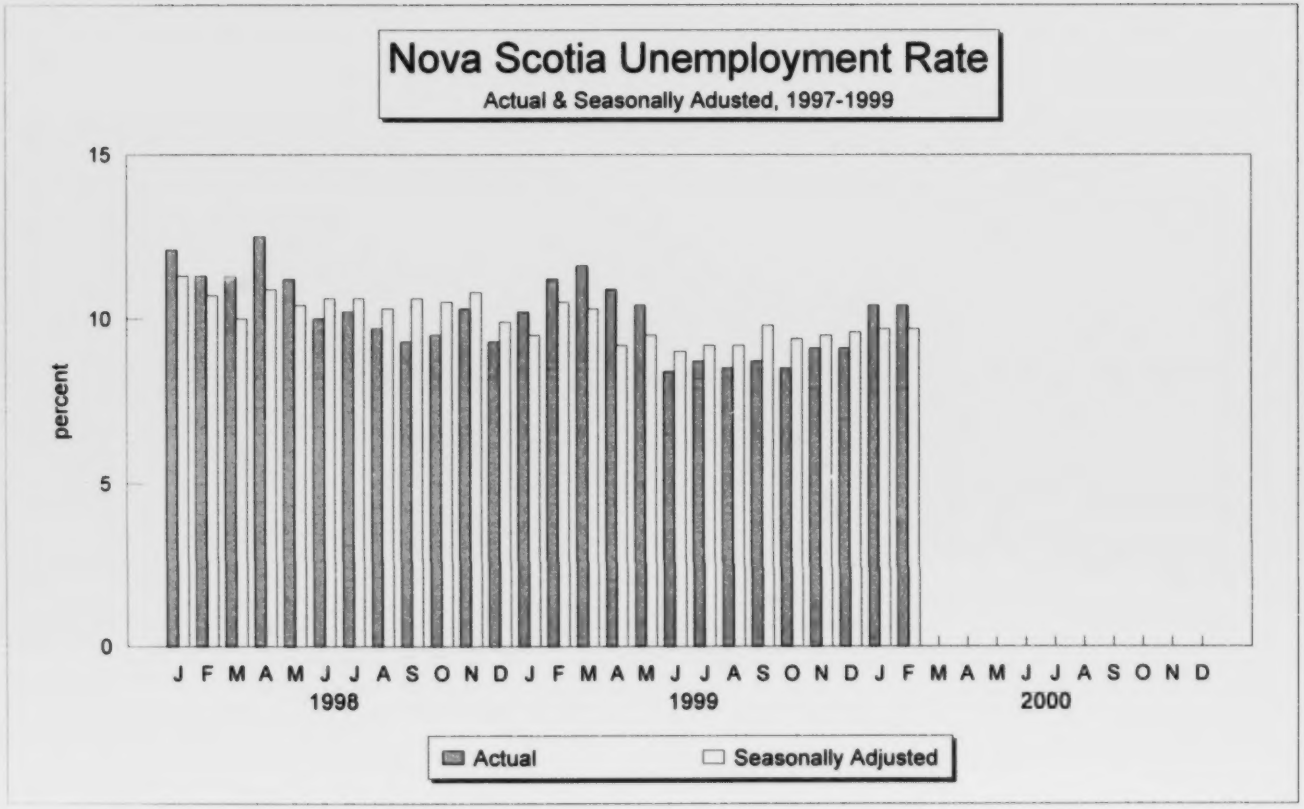
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HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	FEB 1999	JAN 2000	FEB 2000	CHANGE FEB '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	183.8	191.3	192.4	8.6
EMPLOYED ('000)	171.9	178.5	179.4	7.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	11.8	12.9	13.0	1.2
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	6.4	6.7	6.8	0.4
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.5	69.5	69.9	2.4

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	FEB 1999	JAN 2000	FEB 2000	CHANGE FEB '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	435.8	450.4	449.5	13.7
EMPLOYED ('000)	391.4	407.5	404.7	13.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	44.4	42.9	44.8	0.4
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	10.2	9.5	10.0	(0.2)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	59.1	60.5	60.4	1.3

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

CAPE BRETON

	FEB 1999	JAN 2000	FEB 2000	CHANGE FEB '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	62.4	62.7	63.4	1.0
EMPLOYED ('000)	50.0	50.5	50.4	0.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	12.4	12.1	12.9	0.5
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	19.9	19.3	20.3	0.4
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	50.6	50.9	51.5	0.9

NORTH SHORE

	FEB 1999	JAN 2000	FEB 2000	CHANGE FEB '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	71.2	75.2	75.8	4.6
EMPLOYED ('000)	62.8	68.3	68.2	5.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	8.4	6.9	7.6	(0.8)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	11.8	9.2	10.0	(1.8)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	54.1	56.8	57.2	3.1

ANNAPOLIS VALLEY

	FEB 1999	JAN 2000	FEB 2000	CHANGE FEB '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	54.5	57.8	56.0	1.5
EMPLOYED ('000)	49.6	53.3	51.1	1.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	4.9	4.5	4.9	0.0
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.0	7.8	8.8	(0.2)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	55.8	58.4	56.6	0.8

SOUTHERN

	FEB 1999	JAN 2000	FEB 2000	CHANGE FEB '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	59.4	58.3	57.5	(1.9)
EMPLOYED ('000)	52.6	51.7	51.5	(1.1)
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	6.9	6.5	6.0	(0.9)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	11.6	11.1	10.4	(1.2)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	57.4	56.1	55.3	(2.1)

HALIFAX

	FEB 1999	JAN 2000	FEB 2000	CHANGE FEB '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	188.3	196.5	196.9	8.6
EMPLOYED ('000)	176.5	183.6	183.5	7.0
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	11.8	12.9	13.4	1.6
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	6.3	6.6	6.8	0.5
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.2	68.8	68.8	1.6

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)

Seasonally Adjusted

	1999		2000	
	JAN	FEB	JAN	FEB
Total	404.2	402.3	417.5	417.0
Goods-Producing Sector	89.3	88.9	93.8	93.9
Agriculture	5.5	5.8	7.9	8.0
Forestry, Fishing, Mining, Oil and Gas	15.4	14.7	18.6	17.7
Utilities	1.4	1.8	2.4	2.5
Construction	22.6	21.5	20.7	21.6
Manufacturing	44.4	45.0	44.2	44.1
Services-Producing Sector	314.9	313.5	323.8	323.1
Trade	70.3	68.9	73.9	75.9
Transportation and Warehousing	20.1	20.1	19.9	20.8
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Leasing	23.4	22.6	23.1	23.4
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	17.7	18.3	14.8	14.6
Management, Administrative and Other Suppo	12.8	13.2	15.4	14.0
Educational Services	29.8	30.3	31.5	31.5
Health Care and Social Assistance	49.0	48.8	49.3	50.0
Information, Culture and Recreation	14.7	14.7	17.0	15.1
Accommodation and Food Services	28.5	29.8	27.4	28.1
Other Services	22.5	21.8	25.1	24.0
Public Administration	26.0	25.0	26.5	25.7

EMPLOYMENT - ACTUAL - 000's

	Total				Full-Time				Part-Time			
				CHANGE				CHANGE				CHANGE
	FEB 1999	JAN 2000	FEB 2000	FEB '99-'00	FEB 1999	JAN 2000	FEB 2000	FEB '99-'00	FEB 1999	JAN 2000	FEB 2000	FEB '99-'00
CANADA	14,065.9	14,399.2	14,507.1	441.2	11,240.9	11,608.4	11,690.7	449.8	2,825.1	2,790.8	2,816.4	(8.7)
NEWFOUNDLAND	187.1	188.5	188.8	1.7	155.2	155.3	155.7	0.5	32.0	33.2	33.0	1.0
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	54.8	58.4	58.8	4.0	43.8	47.0	47.4	3.6	11.0	11.4	11.3	0.3
NOVA SCOTIA	386.9	402.8	401.1	14.2	302.0	321.0	312.5	10.5	84.9	81.8	88.6	3.7
NEW BRUNSWICK	308.5	310.8	310.9	2.4	253.9	255.4	256.4	2.5	54.6	55.3	54.5	(0.1)
QUEBEC	3,233.7	3,317.9	3,339.7	106.0	2,637.0	2,695.8	2,720.0	83.0	596.7	622.0	619.7	23.0
ONTARIO	5,513.4	5,668.3	5,705.2	191.8	4,434.8	4,618.9	4,637.8	203.0	1,078.7	1,049.4	1,067.5	(11.2)
MANITOBA	529.7	537.1	540.0	10.3	410.4	428.9	433.1	22.7	119.3	108.2	106.8	(12.5)
SASKATCHEWAN	463.3	474.2	477.1	13.8	353.1	367.9	372.6	19.5	110.2	106.4	104.5	(5.7)
ALBERTA	1,517.1	1,544.8	1,560.6	43.5	1,193.1	1,224.2	1,243.2	50.1	324.0	320.6	317.4	(6.6)
BRITISH COLUMBIA	1,871.4	1,896.5	1,924.9	53.5	1,457.7	1,494.0	1,511.9	54.2	413.7	402.5	413.0	(0.7)

15-24 AGE GROUP - ACTUAL

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
				CHANGE				CHANGE				CHANGE
	FEB 1999	JAN 2000	FEB 2000	FEB '99-'00	FEB 1999	JAN 2000	FEB 2000	FEB '99-'00	FEB 1999	JAN 2000	FEB 2000	FEB '99-'00
CANADA	2,366.0	2,388.7	2,414.7	48.7	2,010.4	2,075.2	2,085.8	75.4	15.0	13.1	13.6	(1.4)
NEWFOUNDLAND	30.8	32.4	32.2	1.4	22.1	23.9	23.1	1.0	28.2	26.2	28.3	0.1
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	11.6	12.2	12.1	0.5	8.9	9.9	10.3	1.4	23.3	18.9	14.9	(8.4)
NOVA SCOTIA	68.0	70.6	70.3	2.3	53.3	58.5	59.2	5.9	21.6	17.1	15.6	(6.0)
NEW BRUNSWICK	58.9	55.3	54.7	(4.2)	47.3	45.5	45.5	(1.8)	19.9	17.7	16.8	(3.1)
QUEBEC	535.9	543.0	548.0	12.1	448.6	460.0	459.0	10.4	16.3	15.3	16.2	(0.1)
ONTARIO	893.4	898.4	909.0	15.6	761.9	790.9	793.3	31.4	14.7	12.0	12.7	(2.0)
MANITOBA	96.5	97.1	99.5	3.0	87.0	86.9	87.5	0.5	9.8	10.5	12.1	2.3
SASKATCHEWAN	87.5	86.5	86.9	(0.6)	75.2	77.5	78.3	3.1	14.1	10.4	9.9	(4.2)
ALBERTA	279.3	291.1	293.6	14.3	250.3	256.7	261.7	11.4	10.4	11.8	10.9	0.5
BRITISH COLUMBIA	304.1	302.2	308.5	4.4	255.7	265.5	267.8	12.1	15.9	12.1	13.2	(2.7)

Jobless by City

Statistics Canada also released seasonally adjusted three-month moving average unemployment rates for major cities but cautioned that figures may fluctuate widely because they are based on small statistical samples. The rates for February for the following metropolitan areas are shown in ascending order.

	Jan2000	Feb 2000
Hamilton	3.6	4.1
Regina	4.5	4.9
Saskatoon	5.0	4.9
Kitchener	4.6	5.0
Edmonton	4.8	5.0
Oshawa	4.7	5.1
Calgary	5.5	5.1
Toronto	5.1	5.2
Thunder Bay	5.2	5.3
London	5.0	5.5
Winnipeg	5.6	5.7
Ottawa-Hull	5.7	6.2
Victoria	5.9	6.2
St. Catharines - Niagara	7.0	6.4
Windsor	6.4	6.4
Halifax	6.3	6.5
Vancouver	6.8	6.5
Montréal	6.7	7.0
Saint John N.B.	8.2	8.2
Sudbury	8.4	8.8
Québec	9.1	9.0
Sherbrooke	9.2	9.2
St-John's Nfld.	9.6	9.8
Trois-Rivières	9.6	10.1
Chicoutimi - Jonquiére	11.2	10.9

NOVA SCOTIA
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EMPLOYMENT SITUATION

MARCH 2000

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION - MARCH 2000

CANADA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	MAR 1999	FEB 2000	MAR 2000	CHANGE MAR '99-'00	MAR 1999	FEB 2000	MAR 2000	CHANGE MAR '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	15,634.5	15,907.0	15,944.1	309.6	15,394.8	15,643.5	15,691.9	297.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	14,401.9	14,827.5	14,857.8	455.9	14,096.9	14,507.1	14,550.5	453.6
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	1,232.7	1,079.5	1,086.3	(146.4)	1,297.9	1,136.4	1,141.3	(156.6)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	7.9	6.8	6.8	(1.1)	8.4	7.3	7.3	(1.1)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.5	65.8	65.9	0.4	64.5	64.7	64.9	0.4

NOVA SCOTIA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	MAR 1999	FEB 2000	MAR 2000	CHANGE MAR '99-'00	MAR 1999	FEB 2000	MAR 2000	CHANGE MAR '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	449.8	461.7	461.8	12.0	438.8	447.7	450.8	12.0
EMPLOYED ('000)	403.4	417.0	420.9	17.5	388.0	401.1	406.1	18.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	46.4	44.8	40.9	(5.5)	50.8	46.6	44.6	(6.2)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	10.3	9.7	8.9	(1.4)	11.6	10.4	9.9	(1.7)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.9	62.0	61.9	1.0	59.4	60.1	60.5	1.1

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

	MAR 1999	FEB 2000	MAR 2000	CHANGE MAR '99-'00	MAR 1999	FEB 2000	MAR 2000	CHANGE MAR '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	242.6	247.2	249.8	7.2	71.4	73.2	74.1	2.7
EMPLOYED ('000)	198.6	203.6	205.3	6.7	60.2	64.8	65.5	5.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	44.0	43.6	44.4	0.4	11.2	8.4	8.6	(2.6)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	19.6	18.6	19.2	(0.4)	19.9	14.4	14.7	(5.2)
--Seasonally Adjusted	18.1	17.6	17.8	(0.3)	15.7	11.5	11.6	(4.1)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	55.4	56.2	56.7	1.3	66.5	67.2	67.9	(1.4)

NEW BRUNSWICK

QUEBEC

	MAR 1999	FEB 2000	MAR 2000	CHANGE MAR '99-'00	MAR 1999	FEB 2000	MAR 2000	CHANGE MAR '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	368.4	366.7	369.8	1.4	3,667.2	3,742.0	3,746.0	78.8
EMPLOYED ('000)	328.9	331.3	331.4	2.5	3,310.8	3,430.6	3,425.2	114.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	39.5	35.4	38.4	(1.1)	356.4	311.4	320.8	(35.6)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	12.2	10.7	11.8	(0.4)	10.2	9.1	9.0	(1.2)
--Seasonally Adjusted	10.7	9.7	10.4	(0.3)	9.7	8.3	8.6	(1.1)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	61.6	60.9	61.4	(0.2)	62.4	63.2	63.2	0.8

NOTE: For regional unemployment rates, see page 5.
Participation rate is the labour force as a % of the population 15 years and over.
Non-civilian and inmate population are not included in labour force data.

ONTARIO

	MAR 1999	FEB 2000	MAR 2000	CHANGE MAR '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	6,034.0	6,156.1	6,178.5	144.5
EMPLOYED ('000)	5,638.6	5,804.2	5,832.3	193.7
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	395.4	351.9	346.1	(49.3)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	7.1	6.1	6.1	(1.0)
--Seasonally Adjusted	6.6	5.7	5.6	(1.0)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.6	66.9	67.0	0.4

MANITOBA

	MAR 1999	FEB 2000	MAR 2000	CHANGE MAR '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	572.4	580.6	583.2	10.8
EMPLOYED ('000)	541.1	549.6	550.6	9.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	31.3	31.0	32.6	1.3
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	5.8	5.7	5.9	0.1
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.5	5.3	5.6	0.1
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.3	67.9	68.1	0.8

SASKATCHEWAN

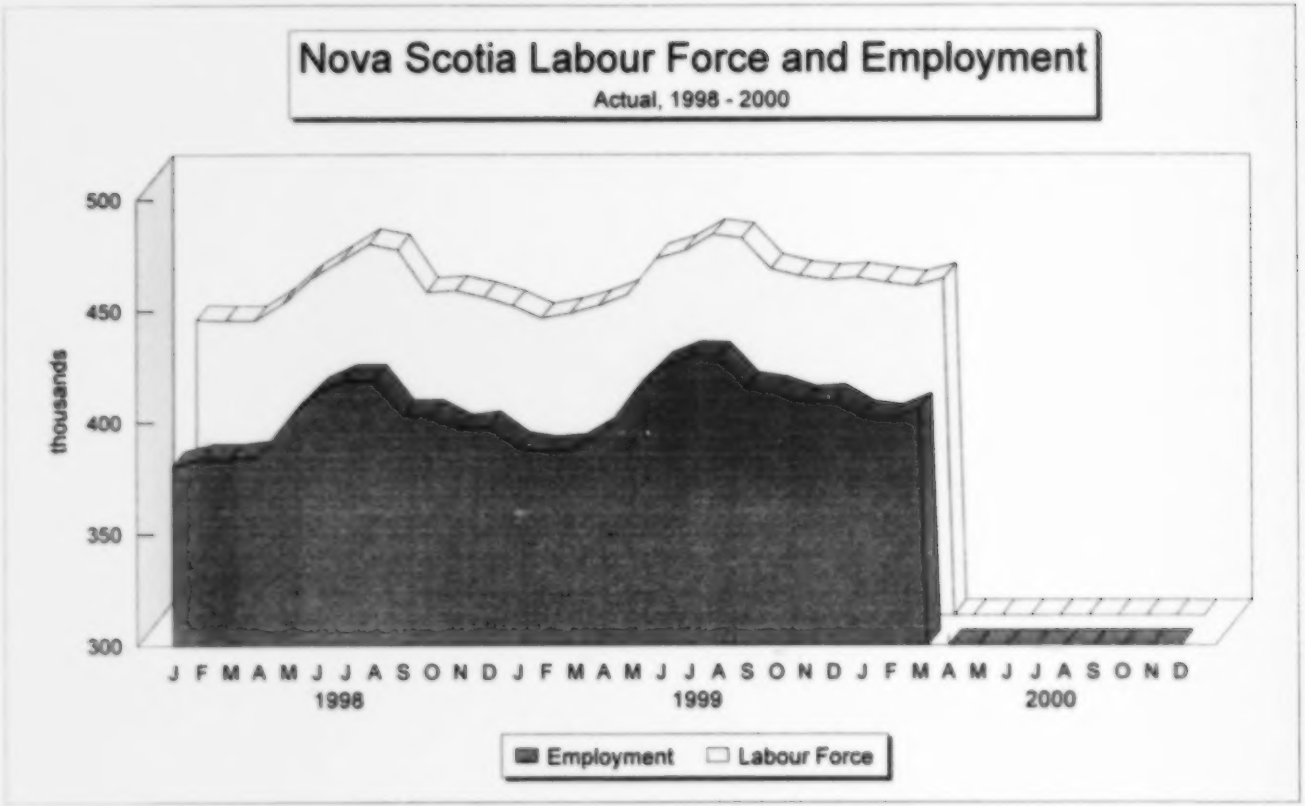
	MAR 1999	FEB 2000	MAR 2000	CHANGE MAR '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	509.2	514.0	515.0	5.8
EMPLOYED ('000)	476.6	490.2	491.2	14.6
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	32.5	23.9	23.8	(8.7)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	7.3	5.1	5.2	(2.1)
--Seasonally Adjusted	6.4	4.6	4.6	(1.8)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.7	67.3	67.4	0.7

ALBERTA

	MAR 1999	FEB 2000	MAR 2000	CHANGE MAR '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	1,638.2	1,667.1	1,671.9	33.7
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,541.7	1,585.8	1,588.3	46.6
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	96.5	81.3	83.6	(12.9)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	6.1	5.0	5.0	(1.1)
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.9	4.9	5.0	(0.9)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	72.6	72.6	72.7	0.1

BRITISH COLUMBIA

	MAR 1999	FEB 2000	MAR 2000	CHANGE MAR '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	2,081.3	2,098.3	2,094.1	12.8
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,901.9	1,950.4	1,947.1	45.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	179.4	147.9	147.0	(32.4)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	9.2	7.5	7.4	(1.8)
--Seasonally Adjusted	8.6	7.0	7.0	(1.6)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.4	65.1	64.9	(0.5)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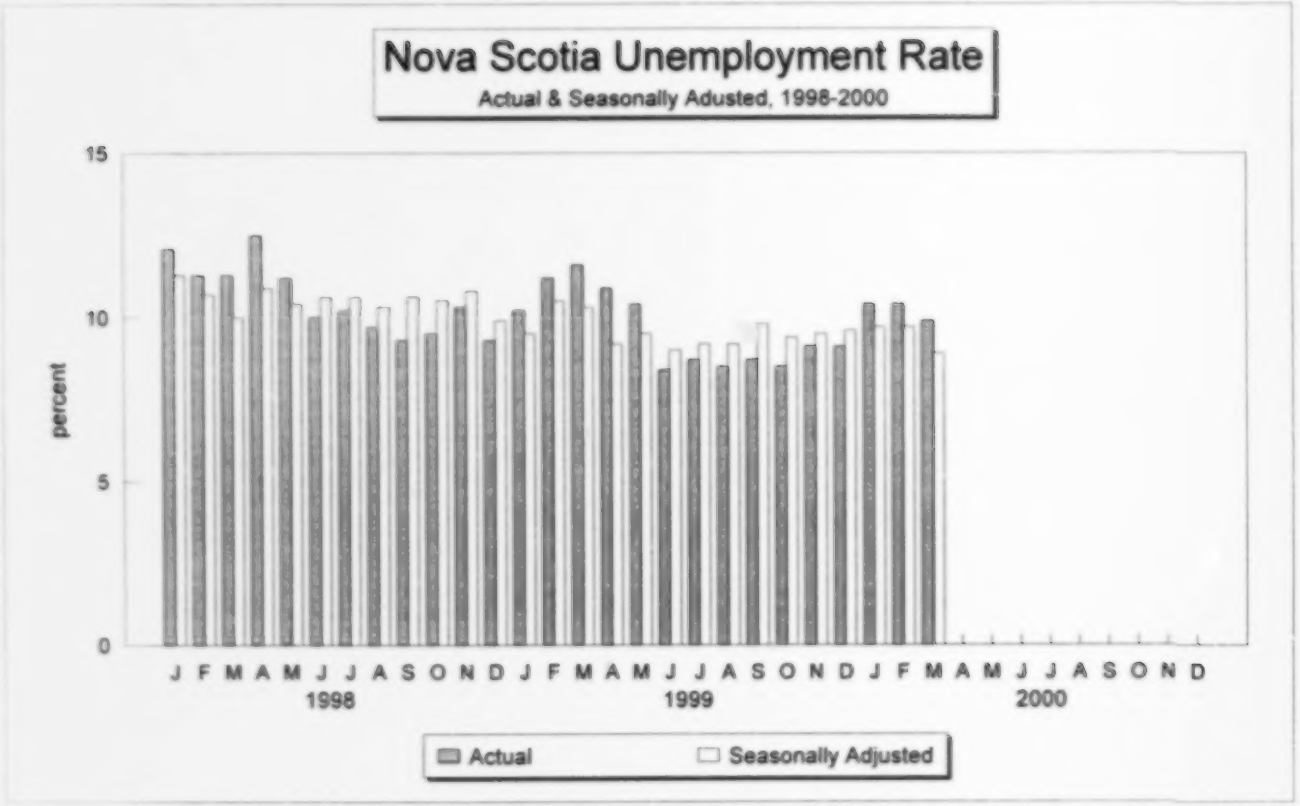
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HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	MAR 1999	FEB 2000	MAR 2000	CHANGE MAR '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	185.1	192.4	193.0	7.9
EMPLOYED ('000)	172.5	179.4	180.8	8.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	12.6	13.0	12.2	(0.4)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	6.8	6.8	6.3	(0.5)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	68.0	69.9	70.0	2.0

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	MAR 1999	FEB 2000	MAR 2000	CHANGE MAR '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	435.8	449.5	449.3	13.5
EMPLOYED ('000)	388.0	404.7	403.3	15.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	47.8	44.8	45.9	(1.9)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	11.0	10.0	10.2	(0.8)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	59.0	60.4	60.3	1.3

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

CAPE BRETON

	MAR 1999	FEB 2000	MAR 2000	CHANGE MAR '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	61.2	63.4	63.1	1.9
EMPLOYED ('000)	49.1	50.4	50.5	1.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	12.1	12.9	12.6	0.5
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	19.8	20.3	20.0	0.2
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	49.6	51.5	51.3	1.7

NORTH SHORE

	MAR 1999	FEB 2000	MAR 2000	CHANGE MAR '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	70.3	75.8	76.1	5.8
EMPLOYED ('000)	61.3	68.2	67.8	6.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	9.0	7.6	8.3	(0.7)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	12.8	10.0	10.9	(1.9)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	53.4	57.2	57.4	4.0

ANNAPOLIS VALLEY

	MAR 1999	FEB 2000	MAR 2000	CHANGE MAR '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	54.5	56.0	55.4	0.9
EMPLOYED ('000)	49.0	51.1	49.9	0.9
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	5.6	4.9	5.5	(0.1)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	10.3	8.8	9.9	(0.4)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	55.7	56.6	56.0	0.3

SOUTHERN

	MAR 1999	FEB 2000	MAR 2000	CHANGE MAR '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	59.9	57.5	56.7	(3.2)
EMPLOYED ('000)	52.2	51.5	50.6	(1.6)
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	7.7	6.0	6.1	(1.6)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	12.9	10.4	10.8	(2.1)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	57.9	55.3	54.6	(3.3)

HALIFAX

	MAR 1999	FEB 2000	MAR 2000	CHANGE MAR '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	189.8	196.9	198.0	8.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	176.5	183.5	184.6	8.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	13.4	13.4	13.4	0.0
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	7.1	6.8	6.8	(0.3)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.8	68.8	69.1	2.3

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	1999		2000	
	FEB	MAR	FEB	MAR
Total	402.3	403.4	417.0	420.9
Goods-Producing Sector	88.9	89.7	93.9	93.1
Agriculture	5.8	6.4	8.0	8.0
Forestry, Fishing, Mining, Oil and Gas	14.7	15.1	17.7	17.3
Utilities	1.8	1.7	2.5	3.0
Construction	21.5	21.2	21.6	21.9
Manufacturing	45.0	45.4	44.1	43.0
Services-Producing Sector	313.5	313.7	323.1	327.7
Trade	68.9	69.1	75.9	75.2
Transportation and Warehousing	20.1	20.7	20.8	20.8
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Leasing	22.6	23.2	23.4	23.1
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	18.3	18.4	14.6	14.9
Management, Administrative and Other Suppo	13.2	12.9	14.0	16.3
Educational Services	30.3	30.7	31.5	31.8
Health Care and Social Assistance	48.8	48.4	50.0	50.2
Information, Culture and Recreation	14.7	13.9	15.1	15.9
Accommodation and Food Services	29.8	28.8	28.1	28.0
Other Services	21.8	22.2	24.0	24.1
Public Administration	25.0	25.3	25.7	27.2

EMPLOYMENT - ACTUAL - 000's

	Total				Full-Time				Part-Time			
	MAR 1999	FEB 2000	MAR 2000	CHANGE MAR '99-'00	MAR 1999	FEB 2000	MAR 2000	CHANGE MAR '99-'00	MAR 1999	FEB 2000	MAR 2000	CHANGE MAR '99-'00
CANADA	14,096.9	14,507.1	14,550.5	453.6	11,335.2	11,690.7	11,780.4	445.2	2,761.7	2,816.4	2,770.1	8.4
NEWFOUNDLAND	184.7	188.8	190.1	5.4	153.4	155.7	156.4	3.0	31.2	33.0	33.7	2.5
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	54.6	58.8	59.7	5.1	43.5	47.4	47.0	3.5	11.1	11.3	12.7	1.6
NOVA SCOTIA	388.0	401.1	406.1	18.1	303.2	312.5	317.1	13.9	84.9	88.6	89.0	4.1
NEW BRUNSWICK	309.1	310.9	311.2	2.1	254.3	256.4	258.4	4.1	54.8	54.5	52.8	(2.0)
QUEBEC	3,237.4	3,339.7	3,346.8	109.4	2,659.4	2,720.0	2,753.7	94.3	578.0	619.7	593.1	15.1
ONTARIO	5,532.7	5,705.2	5,727.9	195.2	4,486.7	4,637.8	4,684.7	198.0	1,046.0	1,067.5	1,043.2	(2.8)
MANITOBA	533.1	540.0	543.1	10.0	418.2	433.1	433.7	15.5	114.9	106.8	109.4	(5.5)
SASKATCHEWAN	463.1	477.1	478.1	15.0	358.1	372.6	375.2	17.1	105.0	104.5	103.0	(2.0)
ALBERTA	1,522.4	1,560.6	1,569.7	47.3	1,206.8	1,243.2	1,250.6	43.8	315.6	317.4	319.2	3.6
BRITISH COLUMBIA	1,871.9	1,924.9	1,917.8	45.9	1,451.6	1,511.9	1,503.7	52.1	420.3	413.0	414.1	(6.2)

15-24 AGE GROUP - ACTUAL

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	MAR 1999	FEB 2000	MAR 2000	CHANGE MAR '99-'00	MAR 1999	FEB 2000	MAR 2000	CHANGE MAR '99-'00	MAR 1999	FEB 2000	MAR 2000	CHANGE MAR '99-'00
CANADA	2,380.3	2,414.7	2,429.3	49.0	2,029.4	2,085.8	2,100.6	71.2	14.7	13.6	13.5	(1.2)
NEWFOUNDLAND	29.9	32.2	33.1	3.2	21.1	23.1	23.3	2.2	29.4	28.3	29.6	0.2
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	12.4	12.1	12.6	0.2	9.1	10.3	10.6	1.5	26.6	14.9	16.7	(9.9)
NOVA SCOTIA	68.7	70.3	73.4	4.7	54.0	59.2	61.6	7.6	21.4	15.6	16.1	(5.3)
NEW BRUNSWICK	57.0	54.7	54.8	(2.2)	47.2	45.5	45.0	(2.2)	17.2	16.8	17.9	0.7
QUEBEC	530.9	548.0	540.7	9.8	446.9	459.0	454.8	7.9	15.8	16.2	15.9	0.1
ONTARIO	905.5	909.0	925.1	19.6	774.9	793.3	811.5	36.6	14.4	12.7	12.3	(2.1)
MANITOBA	99.4	99.5	101.7	2.3	89.7	87.5	89.6	(0.1)	9.8	12.1	11.9	2.1
SASKATCHEWAN	86.6	86.9	88.3	1.7	73.9	78.3	78.6	4.7	14.7	9.9	11.0	(3.7)
ALBERTA	277.8	293.6	295.3	17.5	247.2	261.7	261.0	13.8	11.0	10.9	11.6	0.6
BRITISH COLUMBIA	312.0	308.5	304.3	(7.7)	265.3	267.8	264.8	(0.5)	15.0	13.2	13.0	(2.0)

Jobless by City

Statistics Canada also released seasonally adjusted three-month moving average unemployment rates for major cities but cautioned that figures may fluctuate widely because they are based on small statistical samples. The rates for March for the following metropolitan areas are shown in ascending order.

	Feb 2000	March 2000
Calgary	5.1	4.7
Regina	4.9	4.8
Hamilton	4.1	5.3
Saskatoon	4.9	5.3
Kitchener	5.0	5.5
Edmonton	5.0	5.5
Oshawa	5.1	5.5
Toronto	5.2	5.6
London	5.5	5.9
Winnipeg	5.7	5.9
Windsor	6.4	6.0
Thunder Bay	5.3	6.1
Ottawa-Hull	6.2	6.1
St. Catharines - Niagara	6.4	6.3
Vancouver	6.5	6.4
Victoria	6.2	6.4
Halifax	6.5	6.5
Montréal	7.0	7.6
Saint John N.B.	8.2	7.7
Sudbury	8.8	9.0
Sherbrooke	9.2	9.1
Québec	9.0	9.2
St-John's Nfld.	9.8	10.2
Trois-Rivières	10.1	10.8
Chicoutimi - Jonquiére	10.9	11.0

NOVA SCOTIA
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EMPLOYMENT SITUATION

APRIL 2000

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION - APRIL 2000

CANADA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	APR 1999	MAR 2000	APR 2000	CHANGE APR '99-'00	APR 1999	MAR 2000	APR 2000	CHANGE APR '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	15,731.0	15,944.1	15,941.9	210.9	15,551.5	15,691.9	15,753.2	201.7
EMPLOYED ('000)	14,448.8	14,857.8	14,862.6	413.8	14,222.3	14,550.5	14,628.8	406.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	1,282.2	1,086.3	1,079.3	(202.9)	1,329.2	1,141.3	1,124.4	(204.8)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	8.2	6.8	6.8	(1.4)	8.5	7.3	7.1	(1.4)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.8	65.9	65.8	0.0	65.1	64.9	65.1	0.0

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	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	APR 1999	MAR 2000	APR 2000	CHANGE APR '99-'00	APR 1999	MAR 2000	APR 2000	CHANGE APR '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	451.1	461.8	462.0	10.9	443.7	450.8	453.2	9.5
EMPLOYED ('000)	409.4	420.9	423.0	13.6	395.4	406.1	409.7	14.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	41.7	40.9	39.0	(2.7)	48.3	44.6	43.5	(4.8)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.2	8.9	8.4	(0.8)	10.9	9.9	9.6	(1.3)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	61.0	61.9	61.9	0.9	60.0	60.5	60.7	0.7

Seasonally Adjusted

	NEWFOUNDLAND				PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND			
	APR 1999	MAR 2000	APR 2000	CHANGE APR '99-'00	APR 1999	MAR 2000	APR 2000	CHANGE APR '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	244.8	249.8	247.6	2.8	72.1	74.1	74.3	2.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	198.5	205.3	206.1	7.6	61.0	65.5	65.7	4.7
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	46.3	44.4	41.5	(4.8)	11.1	8.6	8.6	(2.5)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	21.2	19.2	18.7	(2.5)	20.1	14.7	15.4	(4.7)
--Seasonally Adjusted	18.9	17.8	16.8	(2.1)	15.4	11.6	11.6	(3.8)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	55.9	56.7	56.3	0.4	67.0	67.9	68.1	(1.1)

	NEW BRUNSWICK				QUEBEC			
	APR 1999	MAR 2000	APR 2000	CHANGE APR '99-'00	APR 1999	MAR 2000	APR 2000	CHANGE APR '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	367.1	369.8	372.2	5.1	3,709.0	3,746.0	3,765.1	56.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	327.7	331.4	333.1	5.4	3,334.6	3,425.2	3,435.1	100.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	39.4	38.4	39.1	(0.3)	374.4	320.8	330.0	(44.4)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	13.0	11.8	12.8	(0.2)	10.3	9.0	9.1	(1.2)
--Seasonally Adjusted	10.7	10.4	10.5	(0.2)	10.1	8.6	8.8	(1.3)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	61.3	61.4	61.7	0.4	63.0	63.2	63.5	0.5

NOTE: For regional unemployment rates, see page 5
Participation rate is the labour force as a % of the population 15 years and over
Non-civilian and inmate population are not included in labour force data
Revisions to historic labour force data were released in February 1997

ONTARIO

	APR 1999	MAR 2000	APR 2000	CHANGE APR '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	6,080.3	6,178.5	6,173.1	92.8
EMPLOYED ('000)	5,657.0	5,832.3	5,834.6	177.6
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	423.3	346.1	338.4	(84.9)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	7.2	6.1	5.7	(1.5)
--Seasonally Adjusted	7.0	5.6	5.5	(1.5)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.0	67.0	66.9	(0.1)

MANITOBA

	APR 1999	MAR 2000	APR 2000	CHANGE APR '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	573.6	583.2	585.2	11.6
EMPLOYED ('000)	540.5	550.6	555.9	15.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	33.1	32.6	29.3	(3.8)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	6.2	5.9	5.3	(0.9)
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.8	5.6	5.0	(0.8)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.4	68.1	68.3	0.9

SASKATCHEWAN

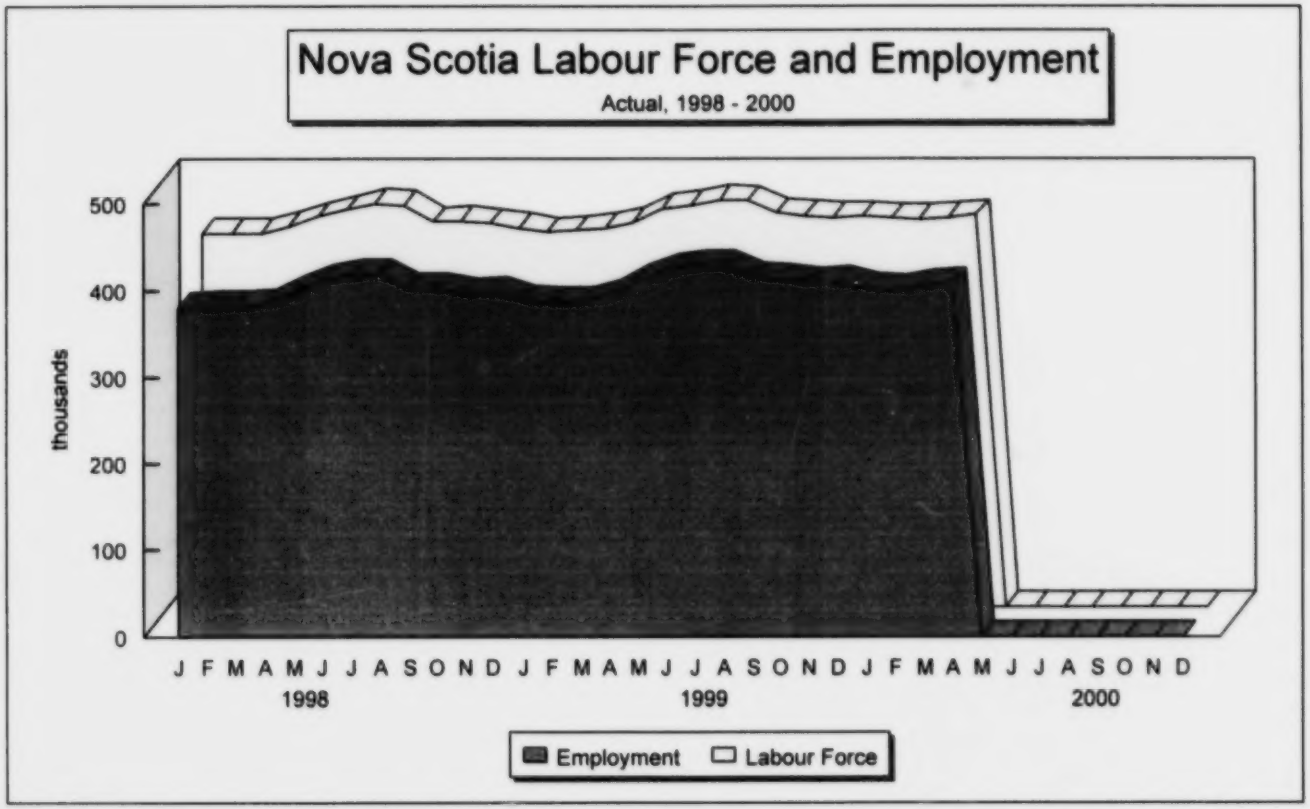
	APR 1999	MAR 2000	APR 2000	CHANGE APR '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	509.8	515.0	512.6	2.8
EMPLOYED ('000)	477.4	491.2	488.0	10.6
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	32.4	23.8	24.6	(7.8)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	7.2	5.2	5.4	(1.8)
--Seasonally Adjusted	6.4	4.6	4.8	(1.6)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.8	67.4	67.1	0.3

ALBERTA

	APR 1999	MAR 2000	APR 2000	CHANGE APR '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	1,640.7	1,671.9	1,669.1	28.4
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,543.5	1,588.3	1,583.6	40.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	97.2	83.6	85.5	(11.7)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	6.1	5.0	5.2	(0.9)
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.9	5.0	5.1	(0.8)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	72.6	72.7	72.4	(0.2)

BRITISH COLUMBIA

	APR 1999	MAR 2000	APR 2000	CHANGE APR '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	2,082.6	2,094.1	2,080.7	(1.9)
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,899.2	1,947.1	1,937.5	38.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	183.4	147.0	143.2	(40.2)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	9.2	7.4	7.2	(2.0)
--Seasonally Adjusted	8.8	7.0	6.9	(1.9)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.4	64.9	64.5	(0.9)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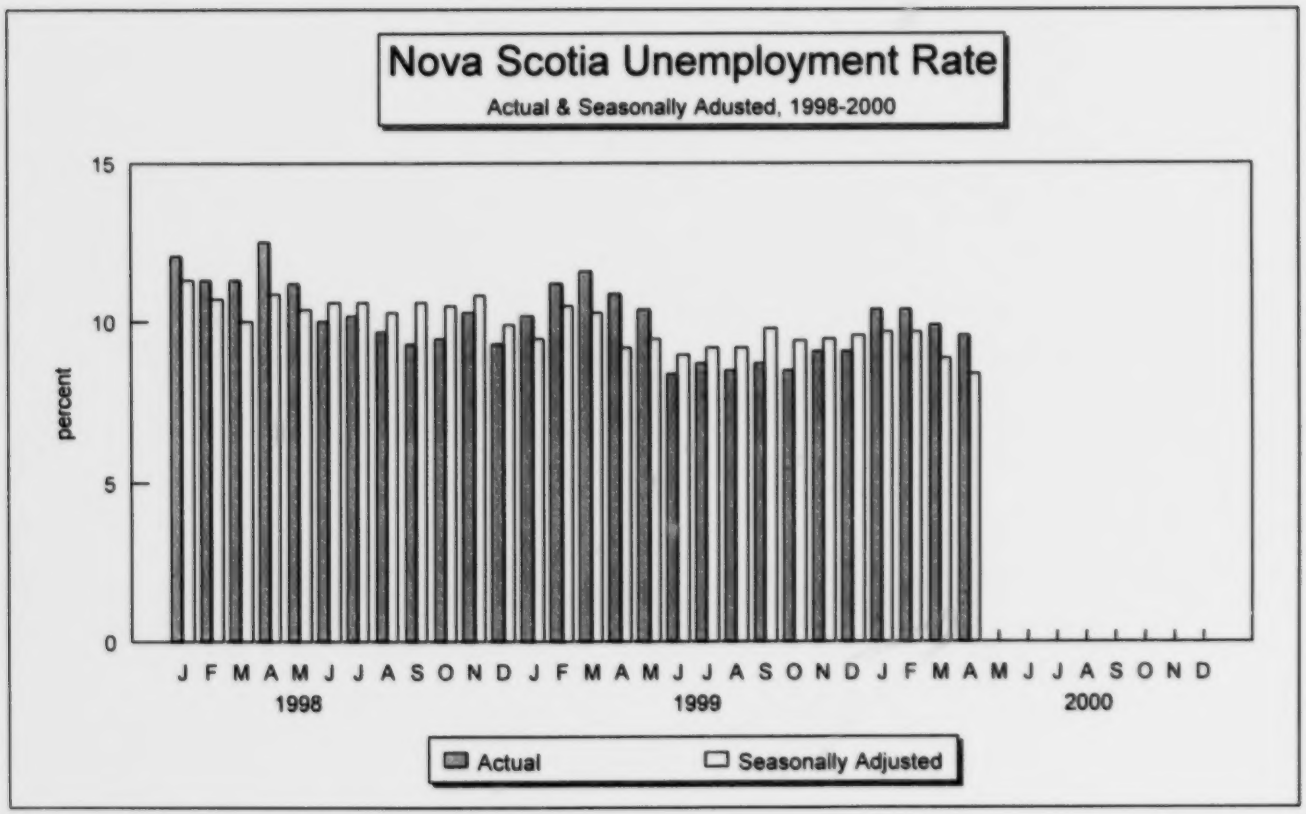
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HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	APR 1999	MAR 2000	APR 2000	CHANGE APR '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	186.3	193.0	193.2	6.9
EMPLOYED ('000)	173.6	180.8	181.5	7.9
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	12.7	12.2	11.7	(1.0)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	6.8	6.3	6.1	(0.7)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	68.3	70.0	70.0	1.7

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	APR 1999	MAR 2000	APR 2000	CHANGE APR '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	439.3	449.3	450.6	11.3
EMPLOYED ('000)	390.1	403.3	405.6	15.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	49.2	45.9	44.9	(4.3)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	11.2	10.2	10.0	(1.2)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	59.5	60.3	60.4	0.9

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

CAPE BRETON

	APR 1999	MAR 2000	APR 2000	CHANGE APR '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	60.9	63.1	62.1	1.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	49.8	50.5	50.6	0.8
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	11.1	12.6	11.5	0.4
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	18.2	20.0	18.5	0.3
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	49.4	51.3	50.5	1.1

NORTH SHORE

	APR 1999	MAR 2000	APR 2000	CHANGE APR '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	70.8	76.1	77.0	6.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	61.1	67.8	68.5	7.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	9.8	8.3	8.4	(1.4)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	13.8	10.9	10.9	(2.9)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	53.8	57.4	58.1	4.3

ANNAPOLIS VALLEY

	APR 1999	MAR 2000	APR 2000	CHANGE APR '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	54.7	55.4	56.5	1.8
EMPLOYED ('000)	48.7	49.9	50.7	2.0
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	6.0	5.5	5.8	(0.2)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	11.0	9.9	10.3	(0.7)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	55.9	56.0	57.0	1.1

SOUTHERN

	APR 1999	MAR 2000	APR 2000	CHANGE APR '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	61.3	56.7	56.7	(4.6)
EMPLOYED ('000)	52.9	50.6	50.6	(2.3)
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	8.4	6.1	6.1	(2.3)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	13.7	10.8	10.8	(2.9)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	59.3	54.6	54.6	(4.7)

HALIFAX

	APR 1999	MAR 2000	APR 2000	CHANGE APR '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	191.6	198.0	198.3	6.7
EMPLOYED ('000)	177.7	184.6	185.2	7.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	13.9	13.4	13.0	(0.9)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	7.3	6.8	6.6	(0.7)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.3	69.1	69.1	1.8

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	1999		2000	
	MAR	APR	MAR	APR
Total	403.4	409.4	420.9	423.0
Goods-Producing Sector	89.7	94.5	93.1	94.7
Agriculture	6.4	6.7	8.0	7.2
Forestry, Fishing, Mining, Oil and Gas	15.1	16.2	17.3	17.5
Utilities	1.7	1.9	3.0	3.2
Construction	21.2	24.2	21.9	24.3
Manufacturing	45.4	45.4	43.0	42.6
Services-Producing Sector	313.7	314.9	327.7	328.2
Trade	69.1	70.5	75.2	75.6
Transportation and Warehousing	20.7	20.4	20.8	19.7
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Leasing	23.2	22.6	23.1	23.1
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	18.4	19.1	14.9	16.1
Management, Administrative and Other Suppor	12.9	13.7	16.3	15.2
Educational Services	30.7	31.1	31.8	31.9
Health Care and Social Assistance	48.4	47.8	50.2	50.9
Information, Culture and Recreation	13.9	14.6	15.9	17.1
Accommodation and Food Services	28.8	27.9	28.0	28.2
Other Services	22.2	22.1	24.1	23.3
Public Administration	25.3	25.2	27.2	27.1

EMPLOYMENT - ACTUAL - 000's

	Total				Full-Time				Part-Time			
	APR 1999	MAR 2000	APR 2000	CHANGE APR '99-'00	APR 1999	MAR 2000	APR 2000	CHANGE APR '99-'00	APR 1999	MAR 2000	APR 2000	CHANGE APR '99-'00
CANADA	14,222.3	14,550.5	14,628.8	406.5	11,497.1	11,780.4	11,846.0	348.9	2,725.2	2,770.1	2,782.9	57.7
NEWFOUNDLAND	185.5	190.1	192.5	7.0	157.0	156.4	160.8	3.8	28.5	33.7	31.7	3.2
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	56.3	59.7	60.9	4.6	44.8	47.0	49.3	4.5	11.6	12.7	11.6	0.0
NOVA SCOTIA	395.4	406.1	409.7	14.3	312.1	317.1	328.8	16.7	83.4	89.0	80.9	(2.5)
NEW BRUNSWICK	311.1	311.2	316.4	5.3	257.5	258.4	262.4	4.9	53.6	52.8	54.0	0.4
QUEBEC	3,276.0	3,346.8	3,373.2	97.2	2,720.8	2,753.7	2,767.5	46.7	555.3	593.1	605.7	50.4
ONTARIO	5,592.6	5,727.9	5,768.1	175.5	4,535.3	4,684.7	4,702.1	166.8	1,057.3	1,043.2	1,066.0	8.7
MANITOBA	533.9	543.1	550.6	16.7	424.3	433.7	440.3	16.0	109.7	109.4	110.3	0.6
SASKATCHEWAN	468.1	478.1	478.0	9.9	369.5	375.2	379.0	9.5	98.6	103.0	99.0	0.4
ALBERTA	1,522.6	1,569.7	1,563.1	40.5	1,211.1	1,250.6	1,247.2	36.1	311.5	319.2	315.9	4.4
BRITISH COLUMBIA	1,880.7	1,917.8	1,916.3	35.6	1,464.8	1,503.7	1,508.6	43.8	415.9	414.1	407.7	(8.2)

15-24 AGE GROUP - ACTUAL

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	APR 1999	MAR 2000	APR 2000	CHANGE APR '99-'00	APR 1999	MAR 2000	APR 2000	CHANGE APR '99-'00	APR 1999	MAR 2000	APR 2000	CHANGE APR '99-'00
CANADA	2,421.7	2,429.3	2,439.9	18.2	2,033.5	2,100.6	2,108.7	75.2	16.0	13.5	13.6	(2.4)
NEWFOUNDLAND	32.2	33.1	33.4	1.2	22.0	23.3	24.3	2.3	31.4	29.6	27.2	(4.2)
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	12.7	12.6	12.4	(0.3)	9.5	10.6	10.7	1.2	25.2	16.7	13.7	(11.5)
NOVA SCOTIA	71.2	73.4	72.6	1.4	54.3	61.6	59.7	5.4	23.7	16.1	17.8	(5.9)
NEW BRUNSWICK	58.5	54.8	55.5	(3.0)	47.1	45.0	46.2	(0.9)	19.5	17.9	16.9	(2.6)
QUEBEC	532.8	540.7	546.0	13.2	439.6	454.8	455.9	16.3	17.5	15.9	16.5	(1.0)
ONTARIO	933.9	925.1	925.0	(8.9)	784.5	811.5	816.2	31.7	16.0	12.3	11.8	(4.2)
MANITOBA	99.6	101.7	102.5	2.9	88.9	89.6	91.0	2.1	10.7	11.9	11.2	0.5
SASKATCHEWAN	87.8	88.3	89.7	1.9	75.9	78.6	79.6	3.7	13.6	11.0	11.3	(2.3)
ALBERTA	277.1	295.3	295.2	18.1	245.9	261.0	259.5	13.6	11.3	11.6	12.1	0.8
BRITISH COLUMBIA	315.8	304.3	307.5	(8.3)	265.8	264.8	265.7	(0.1)	15.8	13.0	13.6	(2.2)

Jobless by City

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Calgary	4.8	4.7
Saskatoon	4.8	4.9
Hamilton	4.6	5.1
Edmonton	5.2	5.3
Kitchener	5.2	5.3
Thunder Bay	5.7	5.3
Toronto	5.4	5.4
Oshawa	5.6	5.4
Ottawa-Hull	5.9	6.4
Saint John N.B.	6.6	5.4
St. Catharines - Niagara	5.8	5.6
Winnipeg	5.7	5.7
London	5.7	5.7
Vancouver	6.2	5.7
Windsor	6.0	6.0
Halifax	6.3	6.1
Victoria	5.8	6.1
Montréal	7.1	7.4
Québec	8.5	8.3
Sudbury	8.6	8.5
Sherbrooke	8.8	8.6
St-John's Nfld.	10.0	9.7
Trois-Rivières	9.9	9.9
Chicoutimi - Jonquière	10.3	10.1

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EMPLOYMENT SITUATION

MAY 2000

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION - MAY 2000

CANADA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	MAY 1999	APR 2000	MAY 2000	CHANGE MAY '99-'00	MAY 1999	APR 2000	MAY 2000	CHANGE MAY '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	15,730.5	15,941.9	15,961.5	231.0	15,863.8	15,753.2	16,107.3	243.5
EMPLOYED ('000)	14,492.3	14,862.6	14,904.9	412.6	14,583.7	14,628.8	15,016.7	433.0
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	1,238.2	1,079.3	1,056.6	(181.6)	1,280.2	1,124.4	1,090.6	(189.6)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	7.9	6.8	6.6	(1.3)	8.1	7.1	6.8	(1.3)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.8	65.8	65.8	0.0	66.3	65.1	66.4	0.1

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	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	MAY 1999	APR 2000	MAY 2000	CHANGE MAY '99-'00	MAY 1999	APR 2000	MAY 2000	CHANGE MAY '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	453.9	462.0	457.7	3.8	459.8	453.2	464.7	4.9
EMPLOYED ('000)	410.5	423.0	420.3	9.8	412.2	409.7	424.3	12.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	43.3	39.0	37.5	(5.8)	47.6	43.5	40.4	(7.2)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.5	8.4	8.2	(1.3)	10.4	9.6	8.7	(1.7)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	61.4	61.9	61.3	(0.1)	62.2	60.7	62.2	0.0

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

	MAY 1999	APR 2000	MAY 2000	CHANGE MAY '99-'00	MAY 1999	APR 2000	MAY 2000	CHANGE MAY '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	252.5	247.6	247.0	(5.5)	71.2	74.3	73.3	2.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	208.7	206.1	207.3	(1.4)	60.6	65.7	65.6	5.0
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	43.8	41.5	39.7	(4.1)	10.6	8.6	7.7	(2.9)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	19.7	18.7	18.0	(1.7)	13.4	15.4	9.1	(4.3)
--Seasonally Adjusted	17.3	16.8	16.1	(1.2)	14.9	11.6	10.5	(4.4)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	57.7	56.3	56.1	(1.6)	66.2	68.1	67.1	(0.9)

NEW BRUNSWICK

QUEBEC

	MAY 1999	APR 2000	MAY 2000	CHANGE MAY '99-'00	MAY 1999	APR 2000	MAY 2000	CHANGE MAY '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	364.8	372.2	369.2	4.4	3,694.6	3,765.1	3,775.0	80.4
EMPLOYED ('000)	327.7	333.1	331.4	3.7	3,342.9	3,435.1	3,452.5	109.6
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	37.1	39.1	37.8	0.7	351.7	330.0	322.5	(29.2)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	10.9	12.8	11.1	0.2	9.3	9.1	8.4	(0.9)
--Seasonally Adjusted	10.2	10.5	10.2	0.0	9.5	8.8	8.5	(1.0)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.9	61.7	61.2	0.3	62.8	63.5	63.7	0.9

NOTE: For regional unemployment rates, see page 5.
Participation rate is the labour force as a % of the population 15 years and over.
Non-civilian and inmate population are not included in labour force data.
Revisions to historic labour force data were released in February 1997.

ONTARIO

	MAY 1999	APR 2000	MAY 2000	CHANGE MAY '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	6,092.8	6,173.1	6,176.9	84.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	5,682.5	5,834.6	5,838.7	156.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	410.2	338.4	338.2	(72.0)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	7.1	5.7	5.7	(1.4)
--Seasonally Adjusted	6.7	5.5	5.5	(1.2)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.0	66.9	66.8	(0.2)

MANITOBA

	MAY 1999	APR 2000	MAY 2000	CHANGE MAY '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	573.3	585.2	581.3	8.0
EMPLOYED ('000)	543.0	555.9	554.5	11.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	30.3	29.3	26.8	(3.5)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	5.1	5.3	4.3	(0.8)
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.3	5.0	4.6	(0.7)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.4	68.3	67.7	0.3

SASKATCHEWAN

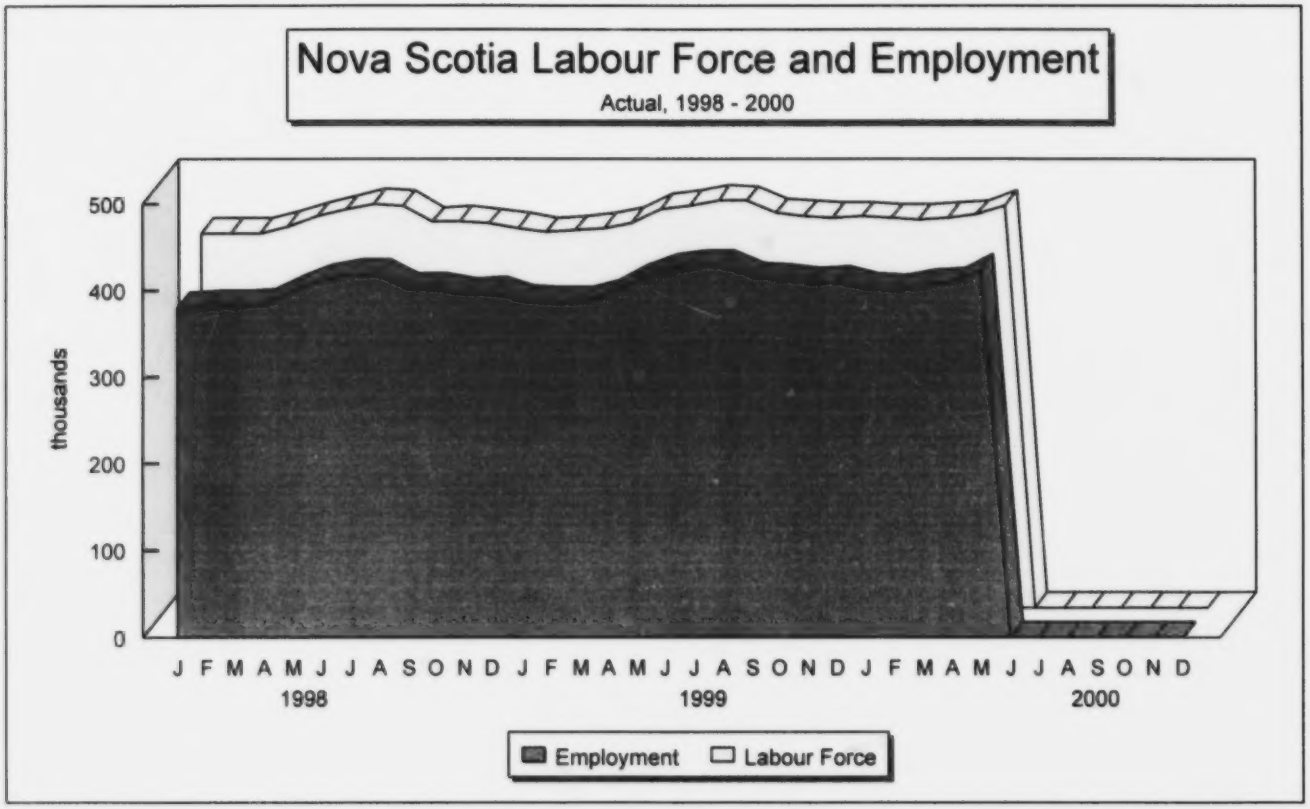
	MAY 1999	APR 2000	MAY 2000	CHANGE MAY '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	511.7	512.6	515.6	3.9
EMPLOYED ('000)	475.0	488.0	489.9	14.9
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	36.7	24.6	25.7	(11.0)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	7.1	5.4	5.2	(1.9)
--Seasonally Adjusted	7.2	4.8	5.0	(2.2)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.1	67.1	67.5	0.4

ALBERTA

	MAY 1999	APR 2000	MAY 2000	CHANGE MAY '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	1,648.8	1,669.1	1,670.3	21.5
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,545.5	1,583.6	1,591.1	45.6
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	103.3	85.5	79.2	(24.1)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	6.5	5.2	4.9	(1.6)
--Seasonally Adjusted	6.3	5.1	4.7	(1.6)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	72.8	72.4	72.3	(0.5)

BRITISH COLUMBIA

	MAY 1999	APR 2000	MAY 2000	CHANGE MAY '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	2,067.0	2,080.7	2,095.1	28.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,895.8	1,937.5	1,953.6	57.8
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	171.2	143.2	141.5	(29.7)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	8.4	7.2	6.9	(1.5)
--Seasonally Adjusted	8.3	6.9	6.8	(1.5)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	64.9	64.5	64.8	(0.1)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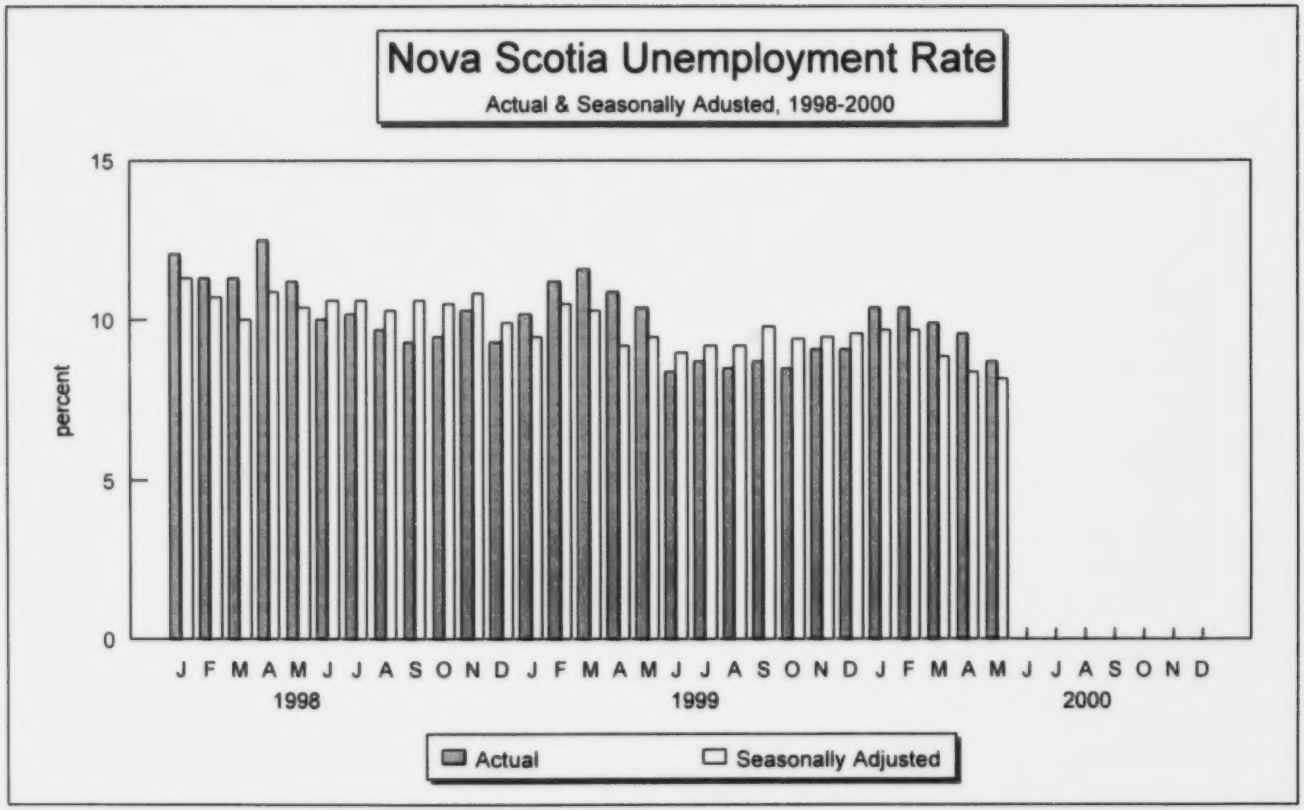
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HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	MAY 1999	APR 2000	MAY 2000	CHANGE MAY '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	186.9	193.2	193.9	7.0
EMPLOYED ('000)	174.5	181.5	182.8	8.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	12.4	11.7	11.1	(1.3)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	6.6	6.1	5.7	(0.9)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	68.5	70.0	70.2	1.7

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	MAY 1999	APR 2000	MAY 2000	CHANGE MAY '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	447.5	450.6	456.2	8.7
EMPLOYED ('000)	398.5	405.6	413.4	14.9
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	48.9	44.9	42.9	(6.0)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	10.9	10.0	9.4	(1.5)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.5	60.4	61.1	0.6

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

CAPE BRETON

	MAY 1999	APR 2000	MAY 2000	CHANGE MAY '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	62.4	62.1	62.3	(0.1)
EMPLOYED ('000)	51.3	50.6	51.8	0.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	11.1	11.5	10.5	(0.6)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	17.8	18.5	16.9	(0.9)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	50.6	50.5	50.7	0.1

NORTH SHORE

	MAY 1999	APR 2000	MAY 2000	CHANGE MAY '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	73.7	77.0	79.2	5.5
EMPLOYED ('000)	63.6	68.5	70.8	7.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	10.1	8.4	8.4	(1.7)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	13.7	10.9	10.6	(3.1)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	56.0	58.1	59.7	3.7

ANNAPOLIS VALLEY

	MAY 1999	APR 2000	MAY 2000	CHANGE MAY '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	55.5	56.5	57.4	1.9
EMPLOYED ('000)	49.7	50.7	51.7	2.0
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	5.8	5.8	5.7	(0.1)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	10.5	10.3	9.9	(0.6)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	56.7	57.0	57.9	1.2

SOUTHERN

	MAY 1999	APR 2000	MAY 2000	CHANGE MAY '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	62.8	56.7	57.6	(5.2)
EMPLOYED ('000)	54.8	50.6	51.9	(2.9)
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	8.0	6.1	5.7	(2.3)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	12.7	10.8	9.9	(2.8)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.7	54.6	55.4	(5.3)

HALIFAX

	MAY 1999	APR 2000	MAY 2000	CHANGE MAY '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	193.1	198.3	199.7	6.6
EMPLOYED ('000)	179.2	185.2	187.1	7.9
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	13.9	13.0	12.6	(1.3)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	7.2	6.6	6.3	(0.9)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.8	69.1	69.5	1.7

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	1999		2000	
	APR	MAY	APR	MAY
Total	409.4	410.5	423.0	420.3
Goods-Producing Sector	94.5	93.2	94.7	90.4
Agriculture	6.7	6.9	7.2	6.6
Forestry, Fishing, Mining, Oil and Gas	16.2	14.8	17.5	15.7
Utilities	1.9	1.9	3.2	3.0
Construction	24.2	23.7	24.3	23.2
Manufacturing	45.4	45.9	42.6	42.0
Services-Producing Sector	314.9	317.3	328.2	329.9
Trade	70.5	71.9	75.6	76.5
Transportation and Warehousing	20.4	21.1	19.7	20.2
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Leasing	22.6	22.6	23.1	23.2
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	19.1	18.4	16.1	16.3
Management, Administrative and Other Suppor	13.7	14.0	15.2	15.4
Educational Services	31.1	30.3	31.9	32.6
Health Care and Social Assistance	47.8	47.6	50.9	51.4
Information, Culture and Recreation	14.6	13.9	17.1	18.8
Accommodation and Food Services	27.9	27.9	28.2	28.0
Other Services	22.1	23.0	23.3	20.7
Public Administration	25.2	26.6	27.1	26.7

EMPLOYMENT - ACTUAL - 000's

	Total				Full-Time				Part-Time			
	MAY 1999	APR 2000	MAY 2000	CHANGE MAY '99-'00	MAY 1999	APR 2000	MAY 2000	CHANGE MAY '99-'00	MAY 1999	APR 2000	MAY 2000	CHANGE MAY '99-'00
CANADA	14,583.7	14,628.8	15,016.7	433.0	11,932.2	11,846.0	12,351.5	419.3	2,651.5	2,782.9	2,665.2	13.7
NEWFOUNDLAND	205.8	192.5	205.7	(0.1)	173.7	160.8	175.7	2.0	32.0	31.7	30.0	(2.0)
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	63.5	60.9	68.8	5.3	52.5	49.3	57.8	5.3	11.0	11.6	11.0	0.0
NOVA SCOTIA	412.2	409.7	424.3	12.1	331.5	328.8	347.6	16.1	80.7	80.9	76.7	(4.0)
NEW BRUNSWICK	332.7	316.4	335.8	3.1	279.8	262.4	284.7	4.9	52.9	54.0	51.1	(1.8)
QUEBEC	3,360.2	3,373.2	3,473.3	113.1	2,808.9	2,767.5	2,901.2	92.3	551.4	605.7	572.1	20.7
ONTARIO	5,719.9	5,768.1	5,887.0	167.1	4,708.0	4,702.1	4,853.6	145.6	1,011.9	1,066.0	1,033.4	21.5
MANITOBA	548.4	550.6	560.6	12.2	441.4	440.3	454.5	13.1	107.0	110.3	106.1	(0.9)
SASKATCHEWAN	481.5	478.0	496.1	14.6	387.3	379.0	405.9	18.6	94.2	99.0	90.2	(4.0)
ALBERTA	1,557.1	1,563.1	1,603.6	46.5	1,255.1	1,247.2	1,310.8	55.7	302.0	315.9	292.8	(9.2)
BRITISH COLUMBIA	1,902.4	1,916.3	1,961.6	59.2	1,494.0	1,508.6	1,559.8	65.8	408.4	407.7	401.8	(6.6)

15-24 AGE GROUP - ACTUAL

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	MAY 1999	APR 2000	MAY 2000	CHANGE MAY '99-'00	MAY 1999	APR 2000	MAY 2000	CHANGE MAY '99-'00	MAY 1999	APR 2000	MAY 2000	CHANGE MAY '99-'00
CANADA	2,658.2	2,439.9	2,695.9	37.7	2,217.4	2,108.7	2,321.8	104.4	16.6	13.6	13.9	(2.7)
NEWFOUNDLAND	39.7	33.4	40.3	0.6	26.5	24.3	27.1	0.6	33.2	27.2	32.8	(0.4)
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	14.5	12.4	14.7	0.2	11.7	10.7	12.9	1.2	19.3	13.7	12.2	(7.1)
NOVA SCOTIA	83.4	72.6	80.5	(2.9)	62.3	59.7	66.4	4.1	25.2	17.8	17.5	(7.7)
NEW BRUNSWICK	65.8	55.5	62.5	(3.3)	52.9	46.2	51.4	(1.5)	19.6	16.9	17.9	(1.7)
QUEBEC	573.3	546.0	603.9	30.6	476.2	455.9	510.9	34.7	17.0	16.5	15.4	(1.6)
ONTARIO	1,039.4	925.0	1,029.8	(9.6)	868.1	816.2	891.3	23.2	16.5	11.8	13.4	(3.1)
MANITOBA	106.6	102.5	106.8	0.2	96.1	91.0	98.3	2.2	9.8	11.2	8.0	(1.8)
SASKATCHEWAN	97.2	89.7	101.1	3.9	82.1	79.6	88.9	6.8	15.5	11.3	12.1	(3.4)
ALBERTA	312.6	295.2	317.2	4.6	266.3	259.5	283.4	17.1	14.8	12.1	10.7	(4.1)
BRITISH COLUMBIA	325.7	307.5	339.1	13.4	275.1	265.7	291.2	16.1	15.5	13.6	14.1	(1.4)

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Ottawa-Hull	5.4	5.1
Hamilton	5.1	5.2
Thunder Bay	5.3	5.2
Edmonton	5.3	5.3
Toronto	5.4	5.4
Saskatoon	4.9	5.4
Vancouver	5.7	5.4
Oshawa	5.4	5.5
Saint John N.B.	5.4	5.6
St. Catharines - Niagara	5.6	5.6
Winnipeg	5.7	5.6
Halifax	6.1	5.7
Windsor	6.0	5.8
London	5.7	6.0
Victoria	6.1	6.2
Sudbury	8.5	7.5
Montréal	7.4	7.7
Québec	8.3	8.1
Sherbrooke	8.6	8.9
St-John's Nfld.	9.7	9.1
Trois-Rivières	9.9	10.1
Chicoutimi - Jonquière	10.1	10.3

Employment Situation
June 2000

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EMPLOYMENT SITUATION - JUNE 2000

CANADA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	JUN 1999	MAY 2000	JUN 2000	CHANGE JUN '99-'00	JUN 1999	MAY 2000	JUN 2000	CHANGE JUN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	15,681.5	15,961.5	15,942.0	260.5	15,993.1	16,107.3	16,233.2	240.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	14,510.7	14,904.9	14,890.8	380.1	14,843.3	15,016.7	15,205.1	361.8
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	1,170.8	1,056.6	1,051.2	(119.6)	1,149.7	1,090.6	1,028.2	(121.5)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	7.5	6.6	6.6	(0.9)	7.2	6.8	6.3	(0.9)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.5	65.8	65.7	0.2	66.8	66.4	66.9	0.1

NOVA SCOTIA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	JUN 1999	MAY 2000	JUN 2000	CHANGE JUN '99-'00	JUN 1999	MAY 2000	JUN 2000	CHANGE JUN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	451.3	457.7	458.5	7.2	463.5	464.7	470.1	6.6
EMPLOYED ('000)	410.6	420.3	419.8	9.2	424.4	424.3	433.2	8.8
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	40.8	37.5	38.7	(2.1)	39.1	40.4	36.9	(2.2)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.0	8.2	8.4	(0.6)	8.4	8.7	7.8	(0.6)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	61.0	61.3	61.3	0.3	62.6	62.2	62.9	0.3

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

	JUN 1999	MAY 2000	JUN 2000	CHANGE JUN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	247.4	247.0	243.1	(4.3)
EMPLOYED ('000)	205.1	207.3	205.6	0.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	42.2	39.7	37.5	(4.7)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	17.4	16.0	15.5	(1.9)
--Seasonally Adjusted	17.1	16.1	15.4	(1.7)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	56.5	56.1	55.3	(1.2)

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

	JUN 1999	MAY 2000	JUN 2000	CHANGE JUN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	71.1	73.3	72.2	1.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	61.3	65.6	63.8	2.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	9.8	7.7	8.3	(1.5)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	9.3	9.1	7.9	(1.4)
--Seasonally Adjusted	13.8	10.5	11.5	(2.3)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.0	67.1	66.0	0.0

NEW BRUNSWICK

	JUN 1999	MAY 2000	JUN 2000	CHANGE JUN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	356.4	369.2	368.8	12.4
EMPLOYED ('000)	325.2	331.4	331.2	6.0
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	31.3	37.8	37.6	6.3
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	8.2	11.1	9.6	1.4
--Seasonally Adjusted	8.8	10.2	10.2	1.4
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	59.5	61.2	61.1	1.6

QUEBEC

	JUN 1999	MAY 2000	JUN 2000	CHANGE JUN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	3,684.2	3,775.0	3,762.5	78.3
EMPLOYED ('000)	3,338.6	3,452.5	3,446.1	107.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	345.6	322.5	316.4	(29.2)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	9.0	8.4	8.0	(1.0)
--Seasonally Adjusted	9.4	8.5	8.4	(1.0)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	62.5	63.7	63.4	0.9

NOTE: For regional unemployment rates, see page 5.
Participation rate is the labour force as a % of the population 15 years and over.
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ONTARIO

	JUN 1999	MAY 2000	JUN 2000	CHANGE JUN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	6,048.4	6,176.9	6,180.9	132.5
EMPLOYED ('000)	5,679.7	5,838.7	5,846.7	167.0
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	368.8	338.2	334.2	(34.6)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	6.0	5.7	5.3	(0.7)
--Seasonally Adjusted	6.1	5.5	5.4	(0.7)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.4	66.8	66.7	0.3

MANITOBA

	JUN 1999	MAY 2000	JUN 2000	CHANGE JUN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	576.8	581.3	581.0	4.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	544.2	554.5	555.3	11.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	32.6	26.8	25.8	(6.8)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	5.1	4.3	3.9	(1.2)
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.7	4.6	4.4	(1.3)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.7	67.7	67.7	0.0

SASKATCHEWAN

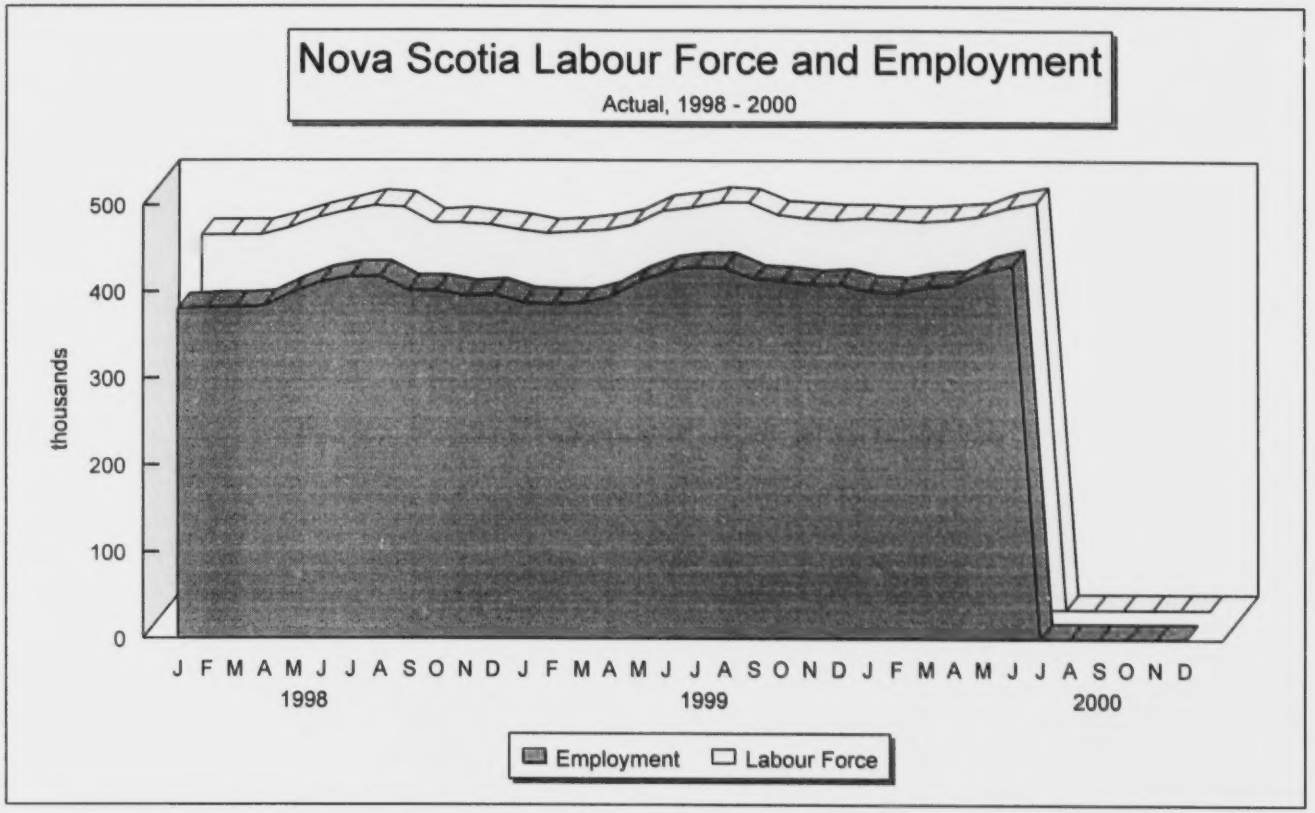
	JUN 1999	MAY 2000	JUN 2000	CHANGE JUN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	510.1	518.6	514.1	4.0
EMPLOYED ('000)	481.3	489.9	485.5	4.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	28.7	25.7	28.6	(0.1)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	5.2	5.2	5.2	0.0
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.6	5.0	5.6	0.0
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	68.9	67.5	67.3	0.4

ALBERTA

	JUN 1999	MAY 2000	JUN 2000	CHANGE JUN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	1,651.4	1,670.3	1,668.6	17.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,560.9	1,591.1	1,585.3	24.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	90.4	79.2	83.3	(7.1)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	4.9	4.9	4.5	(0.4)
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.5	4.7	5.0	(0.5)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	72.7	72.3	72.1	(0.6)

BRITISH COLUMBIA

	JUN 1999	MAY 2000	JUN 2000	CHANGE JUN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	2,084.4	2,095.1	2,092.4	8.0
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,903.9	1,953.6	1,951.5	47.6
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	180.5	141.5	140.9	(39.6)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	8.4	6.9	6.6	(1.8)
--Seasonally Adjusted	8.7	6.8	6.7	(2.0)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.3	64.8	64.7	(0.6)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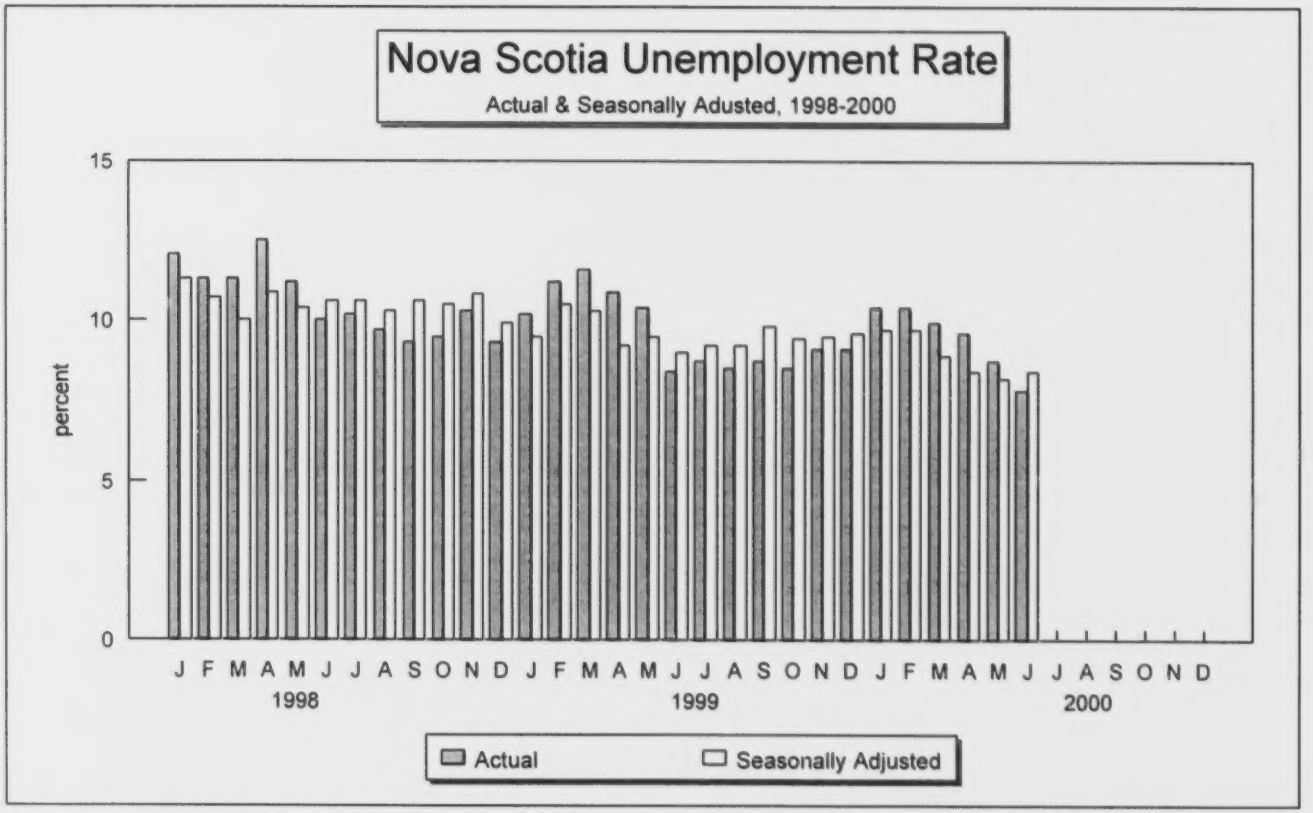
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HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	JUN 1999	MAY 2000	JUN 2000	CHANGE JUN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	186.9	193.9	194.7	7.8
EMPLOYED ('000)	174.6	182.8	184.0	9.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	12.3	11.1	10.6	(1.7)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	6.6	5.7	5.4	(1.2)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	68.4	70.2	70.3	1.9

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	JUN 1999	MAY 2000	JUN 2000	CHANGE JUN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	455.7	456.2	462.7	7.0
EMPLOYED ('000)	410.7	413.4	422.4	11.7
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	45.0	42.9	40.3	(4.7)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.9	9.4	8.7	(1.2)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	61.6	61.1	62.0	0.4

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

CAPE BRETON

	JUN 1999	MAY 2000	JUN 2000	CHANGE JUN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	65.3	62.3	63.6	(1.7)
EMPLOYED ('000)	55.0	51.8	53.5	(1.5)
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	10.3	10.5	10.2	(0.1)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	15.8	16.9	16.0	0.2
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	53.0	50.7	51.7	(1.3)

NORTH SHORE

	JUN 1999	MAY 2000	JUN 2000	CHANGE JUN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	77.0	79.2	80.8	3.8
EMPLOYED ('000)	68.0	70.8	73.0	5.0
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	9.0	8.4	7.8	(1.2)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	11.7	10.6	9.7	(2.0)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	58.4	59.7	60.9	2.5

ANNAPOLIS VALLEY

	JUN 1999	MAY 2000	JUN 2000	CHANGE JUN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	56.6	57.4	58.8	2.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	51.4	51.7	53.6	2.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	5.2	5.7	5.2	0.0
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.2	9.9	8.8	(0.4)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	57.8	57.9	59.2	1.4

SOUTHERN

	JUN 1999	MAY 2000	JUN 2000	CHANGE JUN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	62.7	57.6	58.2	(4.5)
EMPLOYED ('000)	56.1	51.9	53.1	(3.0)
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	6.6	5.7	5.2	(1.4)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	10.5	9.9	8.9	(1.6)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.6	55.4	56.0	(4.6)

HALIFAX

	JUN 1999	MAY 2000	JUN 2000	CHANGE JUN '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	194.0	199.7	201.2	7.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	180.1	187.1	189.2	9.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	13.9	12.6	12.0	(1.9)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	7.2	6.3	6.0	(1.2)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	68.3	69.5	69.9	1.6

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)
Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	1999		2000	
	MAY	JUN	MAY	JUN
Total	410.5	410.6	420.3	419.8
Goods-Producing Sector	93.2	92.8	90.4	91.1
Agriculture	6.9	7.7	6.6	6.6
Forestry, Fishing, Mining, Oil and Gas	14.8	14.1	15.7	15.3
Utilities	1.9	2.3	3.0	2.8
Construction	23.7	22.6	23.2	25.0
Manufacturing	45.9	46.1	42.0	41.3
Services-Producing Sector	317.3	317.8	329.9	328.7
Trade	71.9	70.9	76.5	73.0
Transportation and Warehousing	21.1	21.0	20.2	21.6
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Leasing	22.6	22.9	23.2	23.6
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	18.4	18.2	16.3	17.0
Management, Administrative and Other Suppor	14.0	14.0	15.4	16.3
Educational Services	30.3	30.2	32.6	33.5
Health Care and Social Assistance	47.6	47.4	51.4	50.7
Information, Culture and Recreation	13.9	16.2	18.8	18.0
Accommodation and Food Services	27.9	28.9	28.0	27.6
Other Services	23.0	23.0	20.7	21.0
Public Administration	26.6	25.1	26.7	26.5

EMPLOYMENT - ACTUAL - 000's

	Total				Full-Time				Part-Time			
	JUN 1999	MAY 2000	JUN 2000	CHANGE JUN '99-'00	JUN 1999	MAY 2000	JUN 2000	CHANGE JUN '99-'00	JUN 1999	MAY 2000	JUN 2000	CHANGE JUN '99-'00
CANADA	14,843.3	15,016.7	15,205.1	361.8	12,242.8	12,351.5	12,576.2	333.4	2,600.6	2,665.2	2,628.9	28.3
NEWFOUNDLAND	217.2	205.7	215.1	(2.1)	184.7	175.7	185.0	0.3	32.5	30.0	30.1	(2.4)
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	67.9	68.8	70.4	2.5	58.0	57.8	60.0	2.0	9.9	11.0	10.4	0.5
NOVA SCOTIA	424.4	424.3	433.2	8.8	344.7	347.6	359.8	15.1	79.7	76.7	73.4	(6.3)
NEW BRUNSWICK	345.5	335.8	349.5	4.0	293.2	284.7	298.7	5.5	52.3	51.1	50.8	(1.5)
QUEBEC	3,436.3	3,473.3	3,537.9	101.6	2,923.1	2,901.2	3,013.3	90.2	513.2	572.1	524.5	11.3
ONTARIO	5,775.6	5,887.0	5,942.0	166.4	4,772.8	4,853.6	4,896.3	123.5	1,002.9	1,033.4	1,045.7	42.8
MANITOBA	556.4	560.6	566.8	10.4	453.0	454.5	467.0	14.0	103.4	106.1	99.8	(3.6)
SASKATCHEWAN	494.5	496.1	497.3	2.8	398.2	405.9	403.5	5.3	96.4	90.2	93.8	(2.6)
ALBERTA	1,589.8	1,603.6	1,611.0	21.2	1,295.6	1,310.8	1,324.6	29.0	294.2	292.8	286.5	(7.7)
BRITISH COLUMBIA	1,935.7	1,961.6	1,981.8	46.1	1,519.5	1,559.8	1,568.0	48.5	416.2	401.8	413.9	(2.3)

15-24 AGE GROUP - ACTUAL

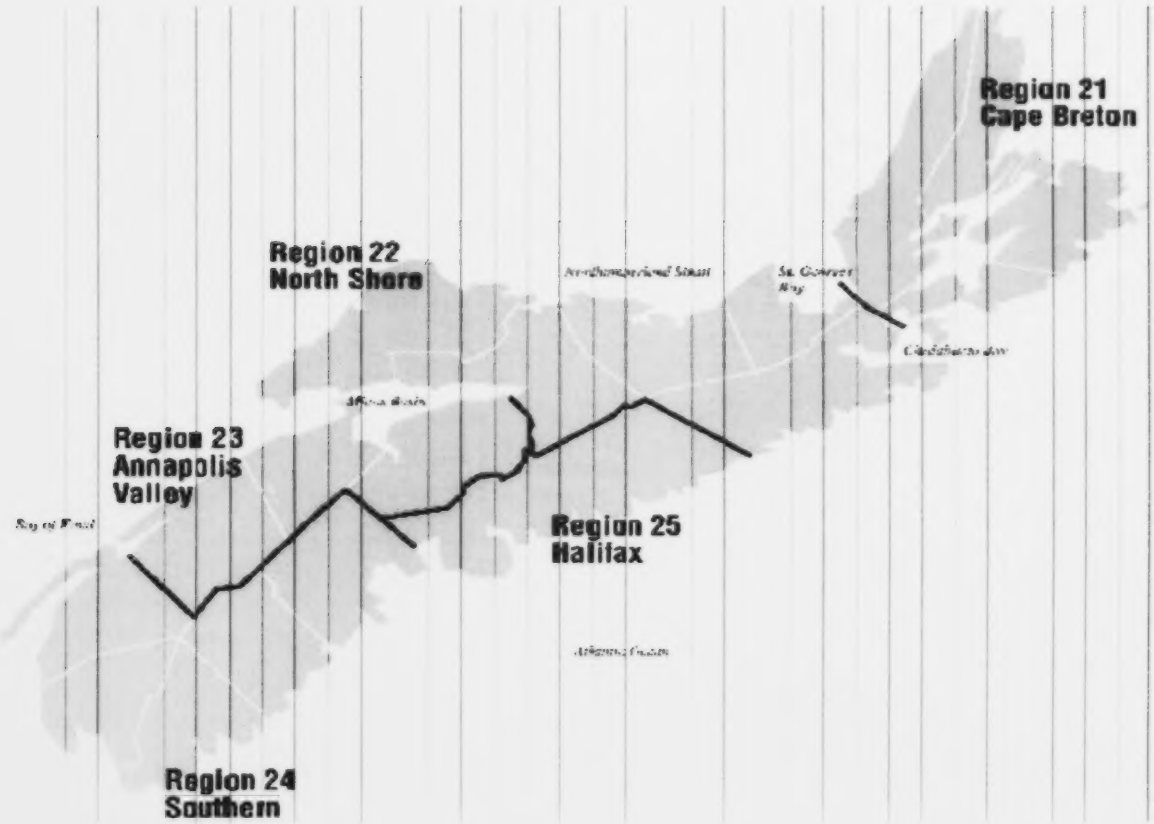
	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	JUN 1999	MAY 2000	JUN 2000	CHANGE JUN '99-'00	JUN 1999	MAY 2000	JUN 2000	CHANGE JUN '99-'00	JUN 1999	MAY 2000	JUN 2000	CHANGE JUN '99-'00
CANADA	2,772.2	2,695.9	2,779.5	7.3	2,392.1	2,321.8	2,447.5	55.4	13.7	13.9	11.9	(1.8)
NEWFOUNDLAND	43.6	40.3	41.5	(2.1)	32.3	27.1	32.1	(0.2)	26.1	32.8	22.9	(3.2)
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	15.3	14.7	15.5	0.2	13.6	12.9	13.8	0.2	10.5	12.2	10.3	(0.2)
NOVA SCOTIA	84.5	80.5	81.6	(2.9)	68.3	66.4	71.4	3.1	19.2	17.5	12.6	(6.6)
NEW BRUNSWICK	69.0	62.5	67.3	(1.7)	60.4	51.4	57.1	(3.3)	12.5	17.9	15.2	2.7
QUEBEC	644.3	603.9	647.6	3.3	534.6	510.9	550.2	15.6	17.0	15.4	15.0	(2.0)
ONTARIO	1,045.2	1,029.8	1,054.4	9.2	914.1	891.3	940.6	26.5	12.6	13.4	10.8	(1.8)
MANITOBA	112.1	106.8	109.6	(2.5)	101.7	98.3	102.1	0.4	9.3	8.0	6.8	(2.5)
SASKATCHEWAN	101.1	101.1	102.3	1.2	90.2	88.9	91.0	0.8	10.8	12.1	11.0	0.2
ALBERTA	319.3	317.2	320.4	1.1	290.8	283.4	290.0	(0.8)	8.9	10.7	9.5	0.6
BRITISH COLUMBIA	337.9	339.1	339.3	1.4	286.2	291.2	299.2	13.0	15.3	14.1	11.8	(3.5)

Jobless by City

Statistics Canada also released seasonally adjusted three-month moving average unemployment rates for major cities but cautioned that figures may fluctuate widely because they are based on small statistical samples. The rates for June for the following metropolitan areas are shown in ascending order.

	May 2000	June 2000
Kitchener	4.7	4.7
Hamilton	5.2	4.7
Regina	4.4	5.0
Calgary	4.7	5.0
Edmonton	5.3	5.0
Ottawa-Hull	5.1	5.3
Thunder Bay	5.2	5.3
Toronto	5.4	5.3
Winnipeg	5.6	5.3
Windsor	5.8	5.3
Vancouver	5.4	5.4
Halifax	5.7	5.4
Oshawa	5.5	5.7
St. Catharines - Niagara	5.6	5.7
Saskatoon	5.4	6.1
London	6.0	6.3
Victoria	6.2	6.4
Saint John, NB	5.6	6.7
Sudbury	7.5	6.9
Montréal	7.7	7.7
Québec	8.1	8.2
Sherbrooke	8.9	8.6
St-John's, NF	9.1	9.0
Chicoutimi - Jonquière	10.3	9.6
Trois-Rivières	10.1	10.8

Employment Situation
July 2000



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EMPLOYMENT SITUATION - JULY 2000

CANADA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	JUL 1999	JUN 2000	JUL 2000	CHANGE JUL '99-'00	JUL 1999	JUN 2000	JUL 2000	CHANGE JUL '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	15,735.0	15,942.0	15,950.6	215.6	16,204.2	16,233.2	16,419.1	214.9
EMPLOYED ('000)	14,544.2	14,890.8	14,873.5	329.3	14,950.6	15,205.1	15,269.5	318.9
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	1,190.8	1,051.2	1,077.1	(113.7)	1,253.6	1,028.2	1,149.6	(104.0)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	7.6	6.6	6.8	(0.8)	7.7	6.3	7.0	(0.7)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.6	65.7	65.6	0.0	67.6	66.9	67.6	0.0

NOVA SCOTIA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	JUL 1999	JUN 2000	JUL 2000	CHANGE JUL '99-'00	JUL 1999	JUN 2000	JUL 2000	CHANGE JUL '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	449.8	458.5	462.2	12.4	470.7	470.1	483.5	12.8
EMPLOYED ('000)	408.5	419.8	419.7	11.2	429.6	433.2	439.5	9.9
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	41.3	38.7	42.5	1.2	41.1	36.9	44.0	2.9
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.2	8.4	9.2	0.0	8.7	7.8	9.1	0.4
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.7	61.3	61.8	1.1	63.5	62.9	64.6	1.1

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

	JUL 1999	JUN 2000	JUL 2000	CHANGE JUL '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	249.4	243.1	240.2	(9.2)
EMPLOYED ('000)	206.7	205.6	201.5	(5.2)
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	42.6	37.5	38.7	(3.9)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	16.5	15.5	15.8	(0.7)
--Seasonally Adjusted	17.1	15.4	16.1	(1.0)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	56.9	55.3	54.6	(2.3)

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

	JUL 1999	JUN 2000	JUL 2000	CHANGE JUL '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	71.2	72.2	72.9	1.7
EMPLOYED ('000)	61.6	63.8	63.9	2.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	9.6	8.3	9.0	(0.6)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	11.0	7.9	10.3	(0.7)
--Seasonally Adjusted	13.5	11.5	12.3	(1.2)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.0	66.0	66.5	(0.5)

NEW BRUNSWICK

	JUL 1999	JUN 2000	JUL 2000	CHANGE JUL '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	362.0	368.8	371.5	9.5
EMPLOYED ('000)	327.8	331.2	333.4	5.6
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	34.3	37.6	38.2	3.9
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	8.6	9.6	9.2	0.6
--Seasonally Adjusted	9.5	10.2	10.3	0.8
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.4	61.1	61.5	1.1

QUEBEC

	JUL 1999	JUN 2000	JUL 2000	CHANGE JUL '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	3,702.2	3,762.5	3,771.8	69.6
EMPLOYED ('000)	3,358.7	3,446.1	3,440.4	81.7
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	343.6	316.4	331.4	(12.2)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	9.0	8.0	8.6	(0.4)
--Seasonally Adjusted	9.3	8.4	8.8	(0.5)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	62.8	63.4	63.5	0.7

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ONTARIO

	JUL 1999	JUN 2000	JUL 2000	CHANGE JUL '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	6,085.8	6,180.9	6,203.5	117.7
EMPLOYED ('000)	5,699.4	5,846.7	5,876.1	176.7
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	386.4	334.2	327.4	(59.0)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	6.8	5.3	5.7	(1.1)
--Seasonally Adjusted	6.3	5.4	5.3	(1.0)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.8	66.7	66.8	0.0

MANITOBA

	JUL 1999	JUN 2000	JUL 2000	CHANGE JUL '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	574.6	581.0	583.9	9.3
EMPLOYED ('000)	541.0	555.3	554.3	13.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	33.6	25.8	29.6	(4.0)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	5.9	3.9	5.3	(0.6)
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.8	4.4	5.1	(0.7)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.4	67.7	67.9	0.5

SASKATCHEWAN

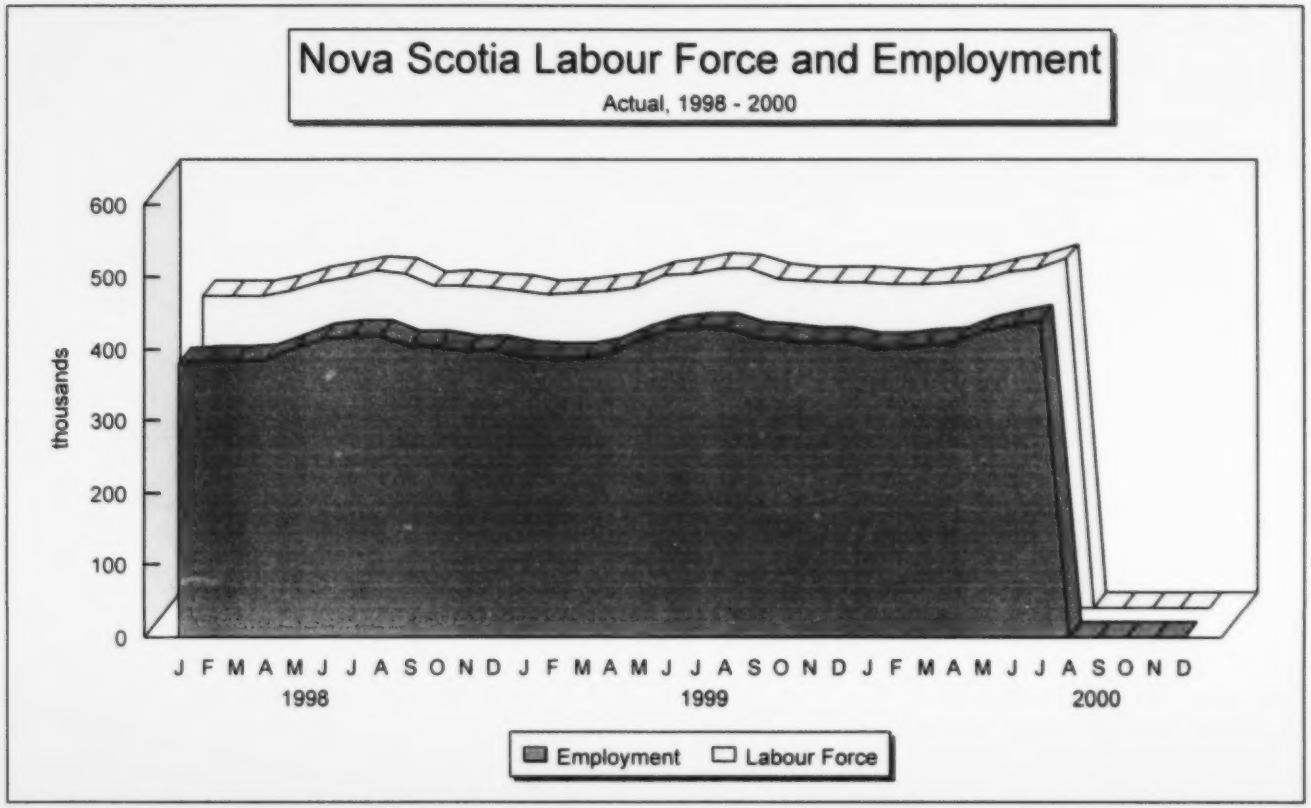
	JUL 1999	JUN 2000	JUL 2000	CHANGE JUL '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	511.0	514.1	510.9	(0.1)
EMPLOYED ('000)	481.3	485.5	483.8	2.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	29.7	28.6	27.1	(2.6)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	6.2	5.2	5.8	(0.4)
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.8	5.6	5.3	(0.5)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.0	67.3	66.9	(0.1)

ALBERTA

	JUL 1999	JUN 2000	JUL 2000	CHANGE JUL '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	1,653.5	1,668.6	1,657.1	3.6
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,560.7	1,585.3	1,571.4	10.7
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	92.8	83.3	85.7	(7.1)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	6.2	4.5	5.9	(0.3)
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.6	5.0	5.2	(0.4)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	72.7	72.1	71.5	(1.2)

BRITISH COLUMBIA

	JUL 1999	JUN 2000	JUL 2000	CHANGE JUL '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	2,075.5	2,092.4	2,076.5	1.0
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,898.7	1,951.5	1,929.0	30.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	176.8	140.9	147.5	(29.3)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	8.7	6.6	7.5	(1.2)
--Seasonally Adjusted	8.5	6.7	7.1	(1.4)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.0	64.7	64.1	(0.9)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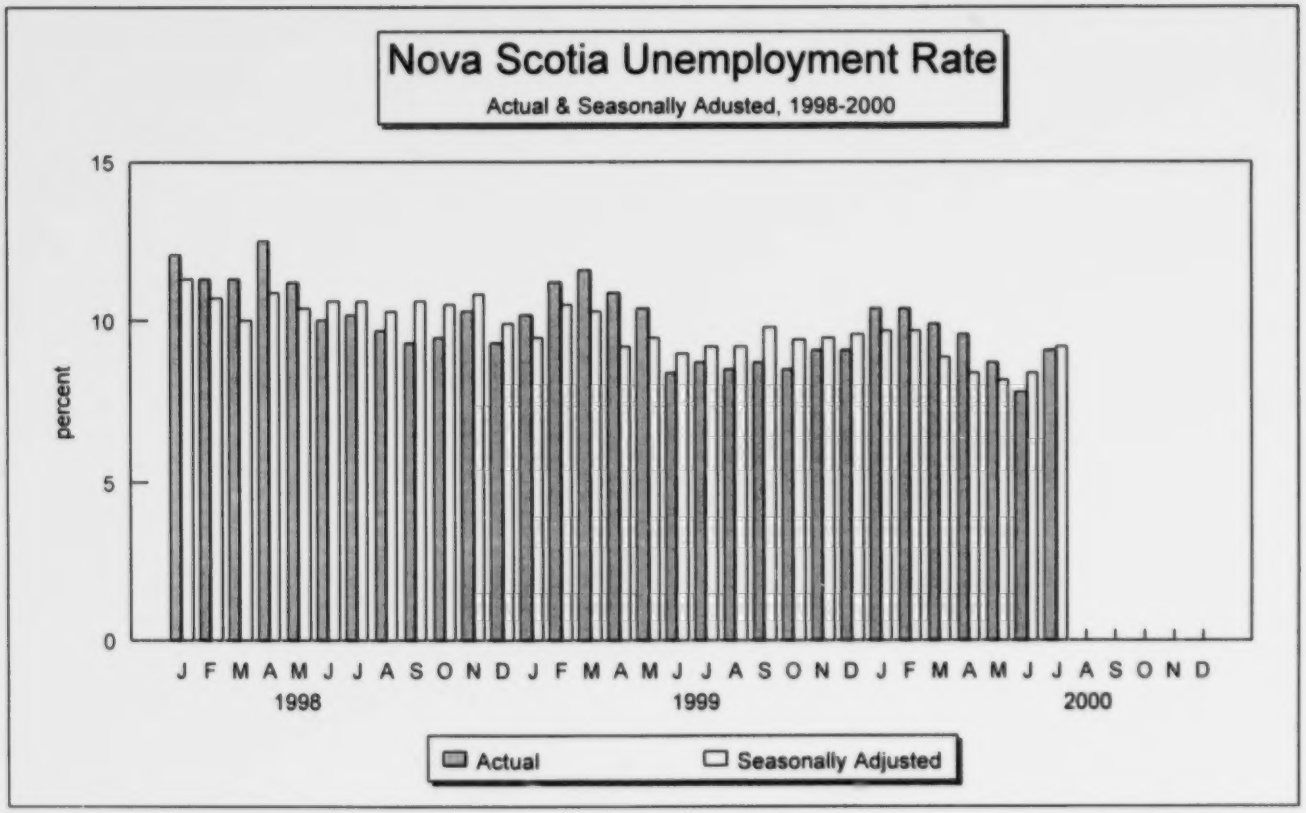
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HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	JUL 1999	JUN 2000	JUL 2000	CHANGE JUL '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	186.7	194.7	196.9	10.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	174.5	184.0	185.6	11.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	12.2	10.6	11.3	(0.9)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	6.5	5.4	5.7	(0.8)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	68.3	70.3	71.0	2.7

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	JUL 1999	JUN 2000	JUL 2000	CHANGE JUL '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	464.7	462.7	472.8	8.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	422.1	422.4	432.3	10.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	42.6	40.3	40.4	(2.2)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.2	8.7	8.5	(0.7)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	62.8	62.0	63.3	0.5

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

CAPE BRETON

	JUL 1999	JUN 2000	JUL 2000	CHANGE JUL '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	67.7	63.6	64.7	(3.0)
EMPLOYED ('000)	57.6	53.5	54.4	(3.2)
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	10.1	10.2	10.3	0.2
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	14.9	16.0	15.9	1.0
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	55.0	51.7	52.7	(2.3)

NORTH SHORE

	JUL 1999	JUN 2000	JUL 2000	CHANGE JUL '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	79.9	80.8	82.4	2.5
EMPLOYED ('000)	71.2	73.0	74.4	3.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	8.6	7.8	8.0	(0.6)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	10.8	9.7	9.7	(1.1)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.6	60.9	62.1	1.5

ANNAPOLIS VALLEY

	JUL 1999	JUN 2000	JUL 2000	CHANGE JUL '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	58.7	58.8	60.4	1.7
EMPLOYED ('000)	53.8	53.6	55.7	1.9
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	4.9	5.2	4.7	(0.2)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	8.3	8.8	7.8	(0.5)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	59.8	59.2	60.7	0.9

SOUTHERN

	JUL 1999	JUN 2000	JUL 2000	CHANGE JUL '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	62.9	58.2	59.7	(3.2)
EMPLOYED ('000)	57.5	53.1	54.8	(2.7)
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	5.4	5.2	4.8	(0.6)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	8.6	8.9	8.0	(0.6)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.7	56.0	57.4	(3.3)

HALIFAX

	JUL 1999	JUN 2000	JUL 2000	CHANGE JUL '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	195.5	201.2	205.6	10.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	181.9	189.2	193.0	11.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	13.6	12.0	12.6	(1.0)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	7.0	6.0	6.1	(0.9)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	68.5	69.9	71.3	2.8

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)
Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	1999		2000	
	JUN	JUL	JUN	JUL
Total	410.6	408.5	419.8	419.7
Goods-Producing Sector	92.8	89.6	91.1	91.8
Agriculture	7.7	6.2	6.6	6.3
Forestry, Fishing, Mining, Oil and Gas	14.1	14.0	15.3	14.3
Utilities	2.3	2.2	2.8	2.6
Construction	22.6	21.8	25.0	25.4
Manufacturing	46.1	45.4	41.3	43.3
Services-Producing Sector	317.8	318.9	328.7	327.9
Trade	70.9	71.0	73.0	72.5
Transportation and Warehousing	21.0	21.2	21.6	21.4
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Leasing	22.9	23.4	23.6	22.2
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	18.2	17.9	17.0	18.3
Management, Administrative and Other Suppor	14.0	13.9	16.3	19.3
Educational Services	30.2	30.8	33.5	32.1
Health Care and Social Assistance	47.4	47.8	50.7	50.4
Information, Culture and Recreation	16.2	15.0	18.0	17.2
Accommodation and Food Services	28.9	28.8	27.6	27.2
Other Services	23.0	23.3	21.0	22.2
Public Administration	25.1	25.7	26.5	25.1

EMPLOYMENT - ACTUAL - 000's

	Total				Full-Time				Part-Time			
	JUL 1999	JUN 2000	JUL 2000	CHANGE JUL '99-'00	JUL 1999	JUN 2000	JUL 2000	CHANGE JUL '99-'00	JUL 1999	JUN 2000	JUL 2000	CHANGE JUL '99-'00
CANADA	14,950.6	15,205.1	15,269.5	318.9	12,521.8	12,576.2	12,853.6	331.8	2,428.8	2,628.9	2,415.9	(12.9)
NEWFOUNDLAND	231.7	215.1	224.4	(7.3)	198.2	185.0	198.8	0.6	33.4	30.1	25.6	(7.8)
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	67.9	70.4	70.5	2.6	59.9	60.0	62.1	2.2	8.0	10.4	8.3	0.3
NOVA SCOTIA	429.6	433.2	439.5	9.9	359.6	359.8	374.1	14.5	69.9	73.4	65.4	(4.5)
NEW BRUNSWICK	351.6	349.5	357.0	5.4	302.9	298.7	311.8	8.9	48.7	50.8	45.2	(3.5)
QUEBEC	3,481.0	3,537.9	3,565.2	84.2	3,012.3	3,013.3	3,067.4	55.1	468.7	524.5	497.8	29.1
ONTARIO	5,812.5	5,942.0	5,993.6	181.1	4,874.7	4,896.3	5,024.0	149.3	937.9	1,045.7	969.6	31.7
MANITOBA	551.3	566.8	563.9	12.6	459.8	467.0	477.1	17.3	91.5	99.8	86.8	(4.7)
SASKATCHEWAN	496.8	497.3	498.6	1.8	405.5	403.5	410.9	5.4	91.4	93.8	87.8	(3.6)
ALBERTA	1,592.4	1,611.0	1,599.4	7.0	1,326.3	1,324.6	1,343.8	17.5	266.1	286.5	255.6	(10.5)
BRITISH COLUMBIA	1,935.8	1,981.8	1,957.4	21.6	1,522.6	1,568.0	1,583.6	61.0	413.2	413.9	373.8	(39.4)

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	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	JUL 1999	JUN 2000	JUL 2000	CHANGE JUL '99-'00	JUL 1999	JUN 2000	JUL 2000	CHANGE JUL '99-'00	JUL 1999	JUN 2000	JUL 2000	CHANGE JUL '99-'00
CANADA	3,038.3	2,779.5	3,072.6	34.3	2,590.2	2,447.5	2,657.5	67.3	14.7	11.9	13.5	(1.2)
NEWFOUNDLAND	56.0	41.5	53.2	(2.8)	42.1	32.1	39.3	(2.8)	25.0	22.9	26.1	1.1
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	17.5	15.5	17.6	0.1	15.0	13.8	15.0	0.0	14.3	10.3	14.8	0.5
NOVA SCOTIA	94.4	81.6	97.2	2.8	80.0	71.4	81.2	1.2	15.3	12.6	16.6	1.3
NEW BRUNSWICK	80.7	67.3	79.3	(1.4)	68.9	57.1	66.1	(2.8)	14.5	15.2	16.6	2.1
QUEBEC	704.9	647.6	729.3	24.4	591.8	550.2	626.3	34.5	16.0	15.0	14.1	(1.9)
ONTARIO	1,149.2	1,054.4	1,161.2	12.0	979.0	940.6	1,018.7	39.7	14.8	10.8	12.3	(2.5)
MANITOBA	118.6	109.6	118.3	(0.3)	106.9	102.1	106.8	(0.1)	9.9	6.8	9.7	(0.2)
SASKATCHEWAN	110.6	102.3	111.9	1.3	97.3	91.0	99.4	2.1	11.9	11.0	11.2	(0.7)
ALBERTA	349.4	320.4	343.2	(6.2)	306.3	290.0	295.6	(10.7)	12.3	9.5	13.9	1.6
BRITISH COLUMBIA	357.0	339.3	361.4	4.4	302.7	299.2	309.1	6.4	15.2	11.8	14.5	(0.7)

Jobless by City

Statistics Canada also released seasonally adjusted three-month moving average unemployment rates for major cities but cautioned that figures may fluctuate widely because they are based on small statistical samples. The rates for July for the following metropolitan areas are shown in ascending order.

	June 2000	July 2000
Hamilton	4.7	4.4
Kitchener	4.7	4.8
Windsor	5.3	5.8
Calgary	5.0	5.0
Regina	5.0	5.0
Toronto	5.3	5.0
Winnipeg	5.3	5.3
St. Catharines-Niagara	5.7	5.3
Vancouver	5.4	5.4
Ottawa - Hull	5.3	5.5
Edmonton	5.0	5.6
Halifax	5.4	5.7
Oshawa	5.7	6.1
Thunder Bay	5.3	6.5
Saskatoon	6.1	6.5
London	6.3	6.5
Sudbury	6.9	6.8
Victoria	6.4	6.9
St. John NB	6.7	7.8
Montréal	7.7	8.0
Sherbrooke	8.6	8.0
Québec	8.2	8.5
Chicoutimi - Jonquiére	9.6	8.7
St. John's NF	9.0	9.2
Trois-Rivières	10.8	10.8

Employment Situation
August 2000

NOVA SCOTIA

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION - AUGUST 2000

CANADA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	AUG 1999	JUL 2000	AUG 2000	CHANGE AUG '99-'00	AUG 1999	JUL 2000	AUG 2000	CHANGE AUG '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	15,761.7	15,950.6	16,036.5	274.8	16,147.6	16,419.1	16,451.9	304.3
EMPLOYED ('000)	14,546.3	14,873.5	14,900.8	354.5	14,919.2	15,269.5	15,271.8	352.6
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	1,215.4	1,077.1	1,135.7	(79.7)	1,228.3	1,149.6	1,180.1	(48.2)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	7.7	6.8	7.1	(0.6)	7.6	7.0	7.2	(0.4)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.6	65.6	65.9	0.3	67.3	67.6	67.6	0.3

NOVA SCOTIA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	AUG 1999	JUL 2000	AUG 2000	CHANGE AUG '99-'00	AUG 1999	JUL 2000	AUG 2000	CHANGE AUG '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	451.7	462.2	459.9	8.2	469.1	483.5	477.4	8.3
EMPLOYED ('000)	410.1	419.7	416.3	6.2	429.0	439.5	434.7	5.7
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	41.6	42.5	43.6	2.0	40.1	44.0	42.7	2.6
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.2	9.2	9.5	0.3	8.5	9.1	8.9	0.4
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.9	61.8	61.4	0.5	63.3	64.6	63.8	0.5

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

	AUG 1999	JUL 2000	AUG 2000	CHANGE AUG '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	246.1	240.2	241.3	(4.8)
EMPLOYED ('000)	204.2	201.5	203.5	(0.7)
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	41.9	38.7	37.8	(4.1)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	16.2	15.8	15.1	(1.1)
--Seasonally Adjusted	17.0	16.1	15.7	(1.3)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	56.2	54.6	54.9	(1.3)

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

	AUG 1999	JUL 2000	AUG 2000	CHANGE AUG '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	70.5	72.9	73.1	2.6
EMPLOYED ('000)	61.0	63.9	63.8	2.8
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	9.5	9.0	9.3	(0.2)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	9.8	10.3	9.4	(0.4)
--Seasonally Adjusted	13.5	12.3	12.7	(0.8)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.2	66.5	66.5	(1.3)

NEW BRUNSWICK

	AUG 1999	JUL 2000	AUG 2000	CHANGE AUG '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	361.8	371.5	374.4	12.6
EMPLOYED ('000)	328.8	333.4	336.1	7.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	33.0	38.2	38.3	5.3
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	8.0	9.2	9.0	1.0
--Seasonally Adjusted	9.1	10.3	10.2	1.1
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.3	61.5	62.0	1.7

QUEBEC

	AUG 1999	JUL 2000	AUG 2000	CHANGE AUG '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	3,711.0	3,771.8	3,756.9	45.9
EMPLOYED ('000)	3,345.8	3,440.4	3,441.0	95.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	365.1	331.4	315.8	(49.3)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	9.6	8.6	8.3	(1.3)
--Seasonally Adjusted	9.8	8.8	8.4	(1.4)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	62.9	63.5	63.2	0.3

NOTE: For regional unemployment rates, see page 5.
Participation rate is the labour force as a % of the population 15 years and over.
Non-civilian and inmate population are not included in labour force data.
Revisions to historic labour force data were released in February 1997.

ONTARIO

	AUG 1999	JUL 2000	AUG 2000	CHANGE AUG '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	6,079.2	6,203.5	6,256.9	177.7
EMPLOYED ('000)	5,708.3	5,876.1	5,880.9	172.6
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	370.9	327.4	375.9	5.0
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	6.2	5.7	6.2	0.0
--Seasonally Adjusted	6.1	5.3	6.0	(0.1)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.6	66.8	67.3	0.7

MANITOBA

	AUG 1999	JUL 2000	AUG 2000	CHANGE AUG '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	580.3	583.9	588.1	7.8
EMPLOYED ('000)	544.0	554.3	558.2	14.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	36.3	29.6	29.9	(6.4)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	6.5	5.3	5.4	(1.1)
--Seasonally Adjusted	6.3	5.1	5.1	(1.2)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	68.0	67.9	68.4	0.4

SASKATCHEWAN

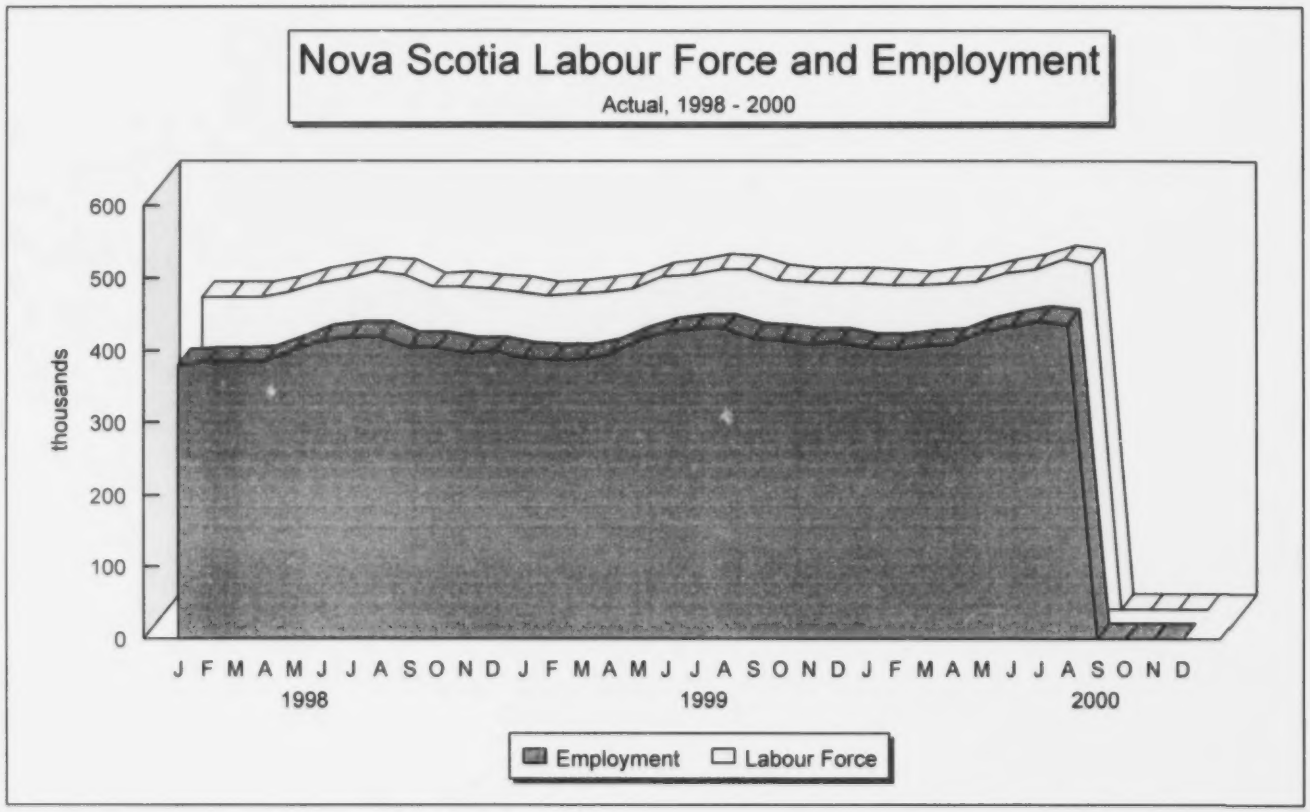
	AUG 1999	JUL 2000	AUG 2000	CHANGE AUG '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	512.5	510.9	509.5	(3.0)
EMPLOYED ('000)	481.7	483.8	479.5	(2.2)
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	30.8	27.1	30.1	(0.7)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	6.0	5.8	6.2	0.2
--Seasonally Adjusted	6.0	5.3	5.9	(0.1)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.2	66.9	66.7	(0.5)

ALBERTA

	AUG 1999	JUL 2000	AUG 2000	CHANGE AUG '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	1,656.8	1,657.1	1,666.2	9.4
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,555.9	1,571.4	1,577.6	21.7
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	100.8	85.7	88.6	(12.2)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	6.3	5.9	5.7	(0.6)
--Seasonally Adjusted	6.1	5.2	5.3	(0.8)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	72.7	71.5	71.8	(0.9)

BRITISH COLUMBIA

	AUG 1999	JUL 2000	AUG 2000	CHANGE AUG '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	2,091.7	2,076.5	2,110.1	18.4
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,906.3	1,929.0	1,943.9	37.6
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	185.4	147.5	166.3	(19.1)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	8.7	7.5	8.0	(0.7)
--Seasonally Adjusted	8.9	7.1	7.9	(1.0)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.4	64.1	65.1	(0.3)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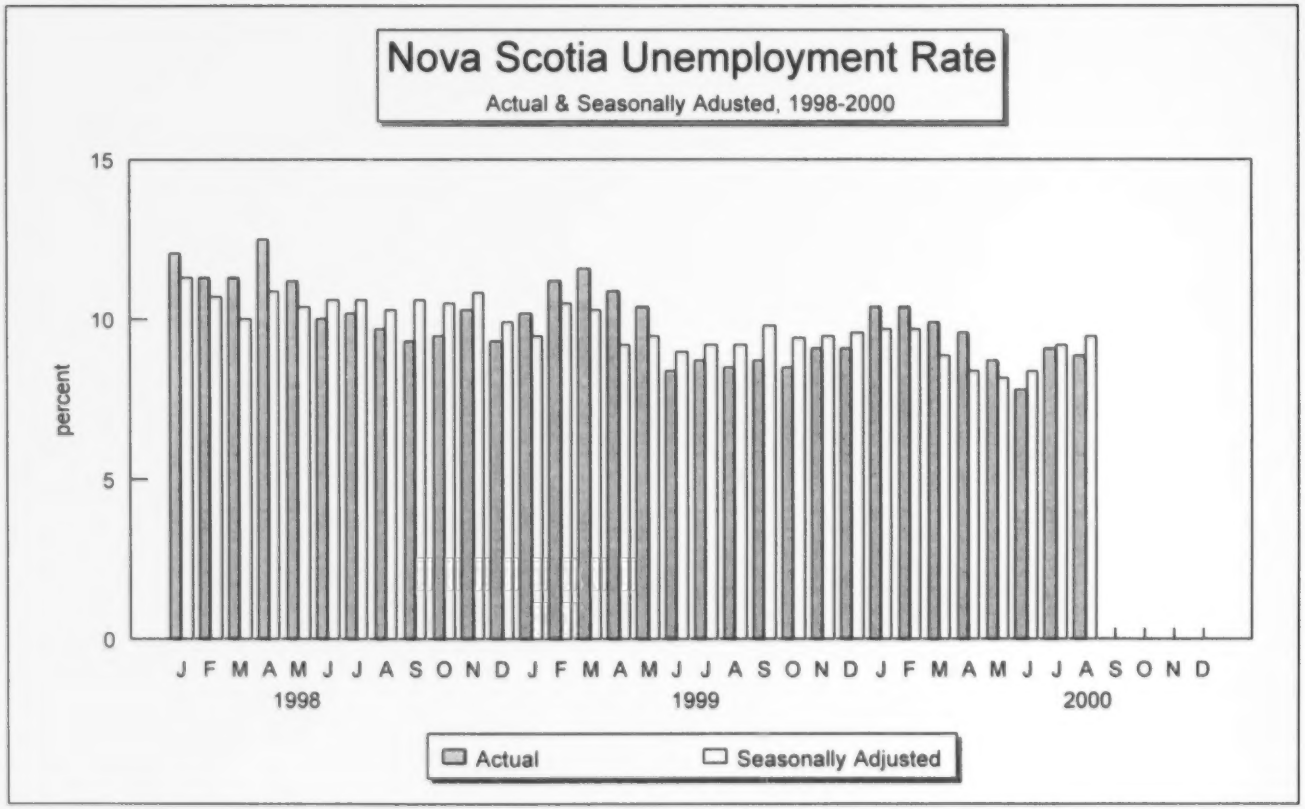
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HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	AUG 1999	JUL 2000	AUG 2000	CHANGE AUG '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	186.5	196.9	197.9	11.4
EMPLOYED ('000)	174.0	185.6	186.4	12.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	12.5	11.3	11.6	(0.9)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	6.7	5.7	5.9	(0.8)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	68.2	71.0	71.3	3.1

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	AUG 1999	JUL 2000	AUG 2000	CHANGE AUG '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	467.8	472.8	477.0	9.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	427.7	432.3	435.8	8.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	40.1	40.4	41.2	1.1
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	8.6	8.5	8.6	0.0
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	63.1	63.3	63.8	0.7

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

CAPE BRETON

	AUG 1999	JUL 2000	AUG 2000	CHANGE AUG '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	68.2	64.7	65.4	(2.8)
EMPLOYED ('000)	58.6	54.4	54.5	(4.1)
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	9.6	10.3	10.9	1.3
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	14.1	15.9	16.7	2.6
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	55.4	52.7	53.3	(2.1)

NORTH SHORE

	AUG 1999	JUL 2000	AUG 2000	CHANGE AUG '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	82.3	82.4	82.4	0.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	74.3	74.4	74.5	0.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	8.0	8.0	7.9	(0.1)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.7	9.7	9.6	(0.1)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	62.3	62.1	62.0	(0.3)

ANNAPOLIS VALLEY

	AUG 1999	JUL 2000	AUG 2000	CHANGE AUG '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	59.9	60.4	61.6	1.7
EMPLOYED ('000)	55.3	55.7	56.7	1.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	4.6	4.7	4.9	0.3
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	7.7	7.8	8.0	0.3
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.9	60.7	61.8	0.9

SOUTHERN

	AUG 1999	JUL 2000	AUG 2000	CHANGE AUG '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	62.3	59.7	60.5	(1.8)
EMPLOYED ('000)	57.4	54.8	55.5	(1.9)
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	4.9	4.8	5.0	0.1
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	7.9	8.0	8.3	0.4
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.1	57.4	58.2	(1.9)

HALIFAX

	AUG 1999	JUL 2000	AUG 2000	CHANGE AUG '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	195.0	205.6	207.1	12.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	182.0	193.0	194.7	12.7
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	13.0	12.6	12.4	(0.6)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	6.7	6.1	6.0	(0.7)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	68.7	71.3	71.7	3.0

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)
Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	1999		2000	
	JUL	AUG	JUL	AUG
Total	408.5	410.1	419.7	416.3
Goods-Producing Sector	89.6	91.2	91.8	89.1
Agriculture	6.2	6.9	6.3	5.8
Forestry, Fishing, Mining, Oil and Gas	14.0	14.7	14.3	14.0
Utilities	2.2	2.3	2.6	2.6
Construction	21.8	22.3	25.4	24.3
Manufacturing	45.4	45.0	43.3	42.4
Services-Producing Sector	318.9	318.9	327.9	327.2
Trade	71.0	70.7	72.5	73.9
Transportation and Warehousing	21.2	21.3	21.4	20.7
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Leasing	23.4	23.0	22.2	21.9
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	17.9	17.8	18.3	18.7
Management, Administrative and Other Suppor	13.9	14.7	19.3	20.1
Educational Services	30.8	30.3	32.1	31.1
Health Care and Social Assistance	47.8	48.3	50.4	51.7
Information, Culture and Recreation	15.0	14.4	17.2	16.9
Accommodation and Food Services	28.8	28.9	27.2	26.8
Other Services	23.3	24.0	22.2	21.6
Public Administration	25.7	25.5	25.1	23.7

EMPLOYMENT - ACTUAL - 000's

	Total				Full-Time				Part-Time			
	AUG 1999	JUL 2000	AUG 2000	CHANGE AUG '99-'00	AUG 1999	JUL 2000	AUG 2000	CHANGE AUG '99-'00	AUG 1999	JUL 2000	AUG 2000	CHANGE AUG '99-'00
CANADA	14,919.2	15,269.5	15,271.8	352.6	12,532.6	12,853.6	12,881.5	348.9	2,386.6	2,415.9	2,390.3	3.7
NEWFOUNDLAND	220.0	224.4	218.3	(1.7)	191.6	198.8	195.2	3.6	28.4	25.6	23.1	(5.3)
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	67.9	70.5	70.6	2.7	60.1	62.1	62.2	2.1	7.8	8.3	8.4	0.6
NOVA SCOTIA	429.0	439.5	434.7	5.7	361.3	374.1	366.9	5.6	67.7	65.4	67.8	0.1
NEW BRUNSWICK	352.5	357.0	360.6	8.1	306.3	311.8	317.1	10.8	46.2	45.2	43.5	(2.7)
QUEBEC	3,432.2	3,565.2	3,527.2	95.0	2,956.2	3,067.4	3,024.9	68.7	476.1	497.8	502.3	26.2
ONTARIO	5,838.5	5,993.6	6,014.5	176.0	4,911.0	5,024.0	5,056.8	145.8	927.5	969.6	957.7	30.2
MANITOBA	552.8	563.9	567.5	14.7	458.3	477.1	478.9	20.6	94.5	86.8	88.5	(6.0)
SASKATCHEWAN	496.0	498.6	492.5	(3.5)	412.1	410.9	411.2	(0.9)	83.9	87.8	81.3	(2.6)
ALBERTA	1,584.8	1,599.4	1,605.2	20.4	1,319.6	1,343.8	1,357.5	37.9	265.2	255.6	247.7	(17.5)
BRITISH COLUMBIA	1,945.6	1,957.4	1,980.7	35.1	1,556.2	1,583.6	1,610.6	54.4	389.4	373.8	370.1	(19.3)

15-24 AGE GROUP - ACTUAL

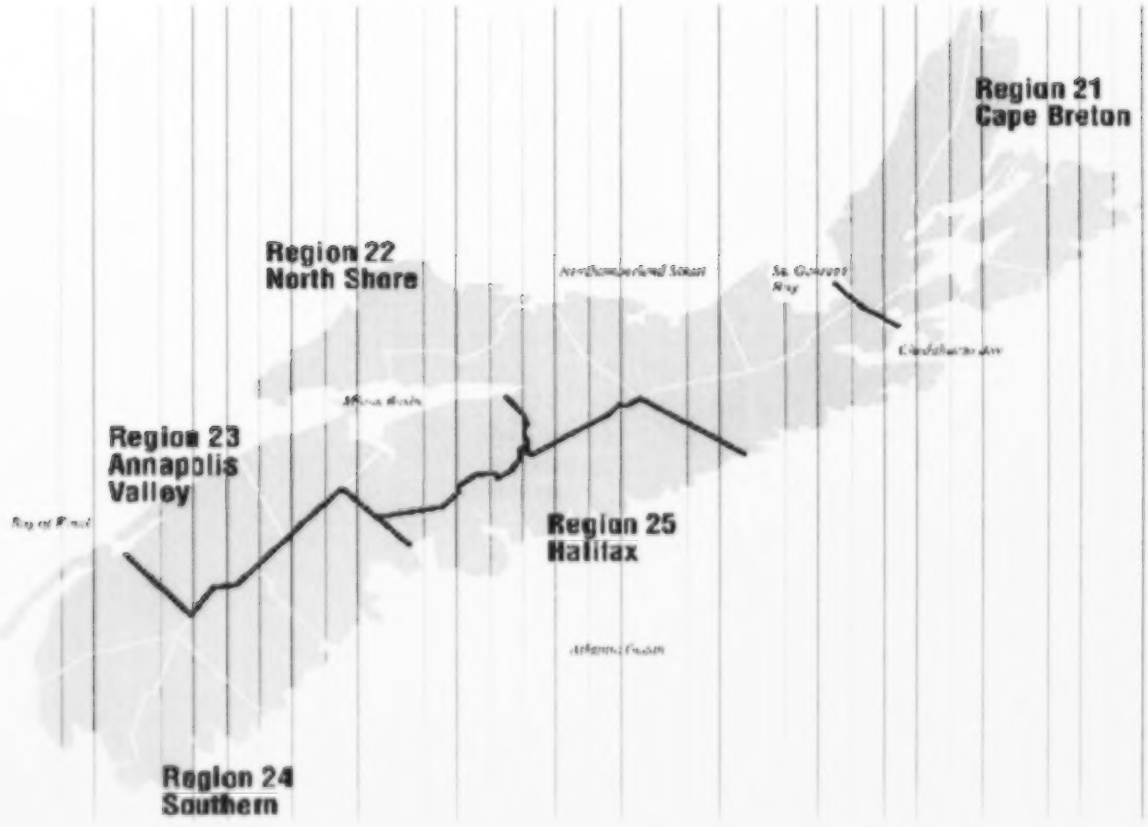
	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	AUG 1999	JUL 2000	AUG 2000	CHANGE AUG '99-'00	AUG 1999	JUL 2000	AUG 2000	CHANGE AUG '99-'00	AUG 1999	JUL 2000	AUG 2000	CHANGE AUG '99-'00
CANADA	2,877.5	3,072.6	2,978.5	101.0	2,530.3	2,657.5	2,626.9	96.6	12.1	13.5	11.8	(0.3)
NEWFOUNDLAND	46.3	53.2	48.3	2.0	36.6	39.3	36.6	0.0	21.0	26.1	24.2	3.2
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	16.5	17.6	17.0	0.5	14.8	15.0	15.2	0.4	10.3	14.8	10.6	0.3
NOVA SCOTIA	91.0	97.2	93.8	2.8	77.8	81.2	82.0	4.2	14.5	16.6	12.6	(1.9)
NEW BRUNSWICK	75.7	79.3	77.1	1.4	65.6	66.1	67.8	2.2	13.3	16.6	12.1	(1.2)
QUEBEC	638.6	729.3	655.0	16.4	548.8	626.3	578.4	29.6	14.1	14.1	11.7	(2.4)
ONTARIO	1,095.8	1,161.2	1,163.8	68.0	980.6	1,018.7	1,034.2	53.6	10.5	12.3	11.1	0.6
MANITOBA	114.9	118.3	119.0	4.1	104.3	106.8	108.3	4.0	9.2	9.7	9.0	(0.2)
SASKATCHEWAN	108.8	111.9	108.8	0.0	97.3	99.4	95.6	(1.7)	10.6	11.2	12.1	1.5
ALBERTA	335.7	343.2	330.9	(4.8)	295.4	295.6	297.7	2.3	12.0	13.9	10.0	(2.0)
BRITISH COLUMBIA	354.2	361.4	364.8	10.6	309.2	309.1	311.1	1.9	12.7	14.5	14.7	2.0

Jobless by City

Statistics Canada also released seasonally adjusted three-month moving average unemployment rates for major cities but cautioned that figures may fluctuate widely because they are based on small statistical samples. The rates for August for the following metropolitan areas are shown in ascending order.

	July 2000	August 2000
Hamilton	4.4	4.3
Windsor	4.8	4.3
Calgary	5.0	4.8
Regina	5.0	5.2
St. Catharines-Niagara	5.3	5.2
Toronto	5.0	5.3
Winnipeg	5.3	5.3
Kitchener	4.8	5.5
Vancouver	5.4	5.7
Oshawa	6.1	5.8
Halifax	5.7	5.9
Edmonton	5.6	6.0
Ottawa - Hull	5.5	6.0
London	6.5	6.4
Saskatoon	6.5	6.5
Thunder Bay	6.5	7.0
Sudbury	6.8	7.4
Victoria	6.9	7.4
Montréal	8.0	7.8
Sherbrooke	8.0	7.8
Chicoutimi - Jonquiére	8.7	8.2
St. John NB	7.8	8.2
Québec	8.5	8.7
St. John's NF	9.2	9.3
Trois-Rivières	10.8	11.2

Employment Situation
September 2000



NOVA SCOTIA

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION - SEPTEMBER 2000

CANADA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	SEP 1999	AUG 2000	SEP 2000	CHANGE SEP '99-'00	SEP 1999	AUG 2000	SEP 2000	CHANGE SEP '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	15,764.5	16,036.5	16,055.8	291.3	15,765.0	16,451.9	16,057.8	292.8
EMPLOYED ('000)	14,596.3	14,900.8	14,957.1	360.8	14,695.6	15,271.8	15,047.0	351.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	1,168.1	1,135.7	1,098.8	(69.3)	1,069.4	1,180.1	1,010.8	(58.6)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	7.4	7.1	6.8	(0.6)	6.8	7.2	6.3	(0.5)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.6	65.9	65.9	0.3	65.6	67.6	65.9	0.3

NOVA SCOTIA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	SEP 1999	AUG 2000	SEP 2000	CHANGE SEP '99-'00	SEP 1999	AUG 2000	SEP 2000	CHANGE SEP '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	454.9	459.9	461.7	6.8	455.4	477.4	461.7	6.3
EMPLOYED ('000)	410.3	416.3	417.6	7.3	415.7	434.7	422.0	6.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	44.6	43.6	44.1	(0.5)	39.6	42.7	39.6	0.0
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.8	9.5	9.6	(0.2)	8.7	8.9	8.6	(0.1)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	61.3	61.4	61.6	0.3	61.4	63.8	61.6	0.2

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

	SEP 1999	AUG 2000	SEP 2000	CHANGE SEP '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	248.2	241.3	246.1	(2.1)
EMPLOYED ('000)	206.6	203.5	206.2	(0.4)
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	41.6	37.8	40.0	(1.6)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	15.0	15.1	14.6	(0.4)
--Seasonally Adjusted	16.8	15.7	16.3	(0.5)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	56.6	54.9	56.0	(0.6)

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

	SEP 1999	AUG 2000	SEP 2000	CHANGE SEP '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	70.5	73.1	73.5	3.0
EMPLOYED ('000)	60.7	63.8	65.2	4.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	9.7	9.3	8.3	(1.4)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	10.5	9.4	8.4	(2.1)
--Seasonally Adjusted	13.8	12.7	11.3	(2.5)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.2	66.5	66.8	(1.6)

NEW BRUNSWICK

	SEP 1999	AUG 2000	SEP 2000	CHANGE SEP '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	365.0	374.4	373.4	8.4
EMPLOYED ('000)	328.5	336.1	337.0	8.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	36.5	38.3	36.4	(0.1)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	8.3	9.0	7.9	(0.4)
--Seasonally Adjusted	10.0	10.2	9.7	(0.3)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.8	62.0	61.8	1.0

QUEBEC

	SEP 1999	AUG 2000	SEP 2000	CHANGE SEP '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	3,697.8	3,756.9	3,754.8	57.0
EMPLOYED ('000)	3,367.0	3,441.0	3,447.9	80.9
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	330.8	315.8	306.9	(23.9)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	8.3	8.3	7.6	(0.7)
--Seasonally Adjusted	8.9	8.4	8.2	(0.7)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	62.7	63.2	63.2	0.5

NOTE: For regional unemployment rates, see page 5

Participation rate is the labour force as a % of the population 15 years and over

Non-civilian and inmate population are not included in labour force data

Revisions to historic labour force data were released in February 1997

ONTARIO

	SEP 1999	AUG 2000	SEP 2000	CHANGE SEP '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	6,102.6	6,256.9	6,263.7	161.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	5,719.2	5,880.9	5,899.0	179.8
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	383.4	375.9	364.7	(18.7)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	5.8	6.2	5.4	(0.4)
--Seasonally Adjusted	6.3	6.0	5.8	(0.5)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.7	67.3	67.3	0.6

MANITOBA

	SEP 1999	AUG 2000	SEP 2000	CHANGE SEP '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	578.5	588.1	584.9	6.4
EMPLOYED ('000)	545.0	558.2	558.7	13.7
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	33.4	29.9	26.2	(7.2)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	5.8	5.4	4.0	(1.3)
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.8	5.1	4.5	(1.3)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.8	68.4	68.0	0.2

SASKATCHEWAN

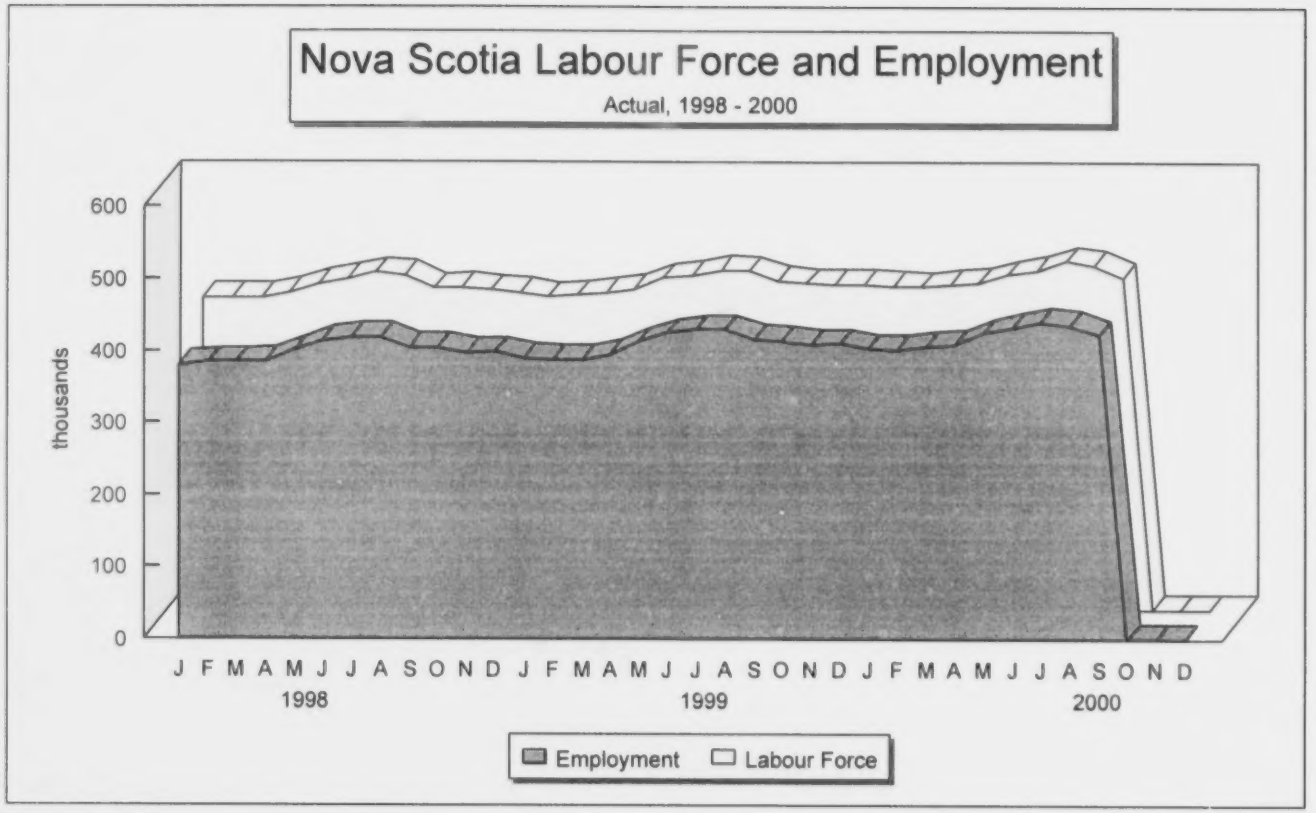
	SEP 1999	AUG 2000	SEP 2000	CHANGE SEP '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	511.2	509.5	509.3	(1.9)
EMPLOYED ('000)	483.7	479.5	480.8	(2.9)
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	27.5	30.1	28.5	1.0
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	4.5	6.2	4.8	0.3
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.4	5.9	5.6	0.2
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.0	66.7	66.7	(0.3)

ALBERTA

	SEP 1999	AUG 2000	SEP 2000	CHANGE SEP '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	1,650.9	1,666.2	1,669.9	19.0
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,555.9	1,577.6	1,589.6	33.7
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	95.0	88.6	80.3	(14.7)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	5.4	5.7	4.5	(0.9)
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.8	5.3	4.8	(1.0)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	72.4	71.8	71.8	(0.6)

BRITISH COLUMBIA

	SEP 1999	AUG 2000	SEP 2000	CHANGE SEP '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	2,084.8	2,110.1	2,118.4	33.6
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,919.4	1,943.9	1,954.9	35.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	165.5	166.3	163.5	(2.0)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	7.1	8.0	7.1	0.0
--Seasonally Adjusted	7.9	7.9	7.7	(0.2)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.1	65.1	65.3	0.2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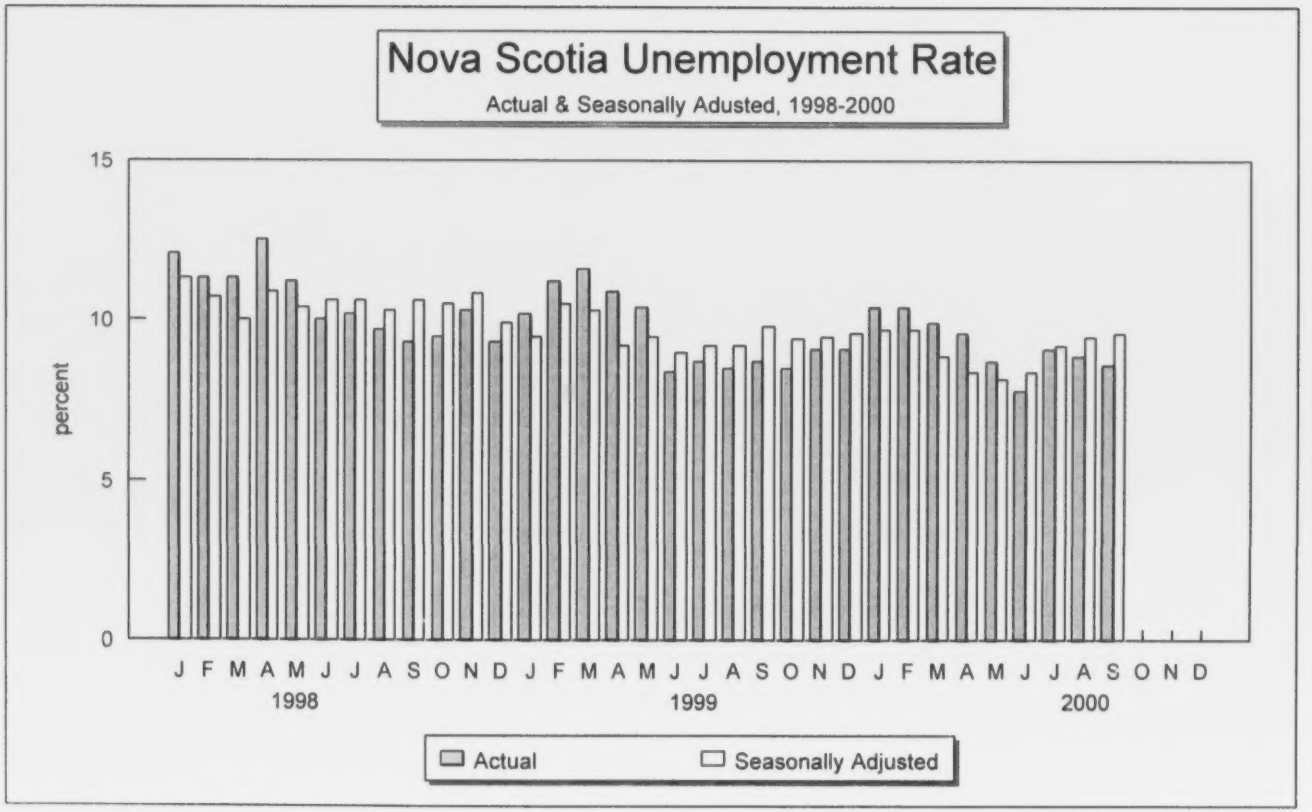
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HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	SEP 1999	AUG 2000	SEP 2000	CHANGE SEP '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	187.0	197.9	198.8	11.8
EMPLOYED ('000)	175.1	186.4	186.6	11.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	11.9	11.6	12.2	0.3
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	6.4	5.9	6.1	(0.3)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	68.3	71.3	71.5	3.2

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	SEP 1999	AUG 2000	SEP 2000	CHANGE SEP '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	465.0	477.0	474.2	9.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	424.8	435.8	432.1	7.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	40.3	41.2	42.1	1.8
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	8.7	8.6	8.9	0.2
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	62.7	63.8	63.3	0.6

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

CAPE BRETON

	SEP 1999	AUG 2000	SEP 2000	CHANGE SEP '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	67.1	65.4	64.4	(2.7)
EMPLOYED ('000)	55.8	54.5	53.2	(2.6)
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	11.3	10.9	11.3	0.0
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	16.8	16.7	17.5	0.7
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	54.5	53.3	52.5	(2.0)

NORTH SHORE

	SEP 1999	AUG 2000	SEP 2000	CHANGE SEP '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	81.6	82.4	82.0	0.4
EMPLOYED ('000)	73.8	74.5	73.9	0.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	7.8	7.9	8.1	0.3
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.6	9.6	9.9	0.3
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	61.8	62.0	61.7	(0.1)

ANNAPOLIS VALLEY

	SEP 1999	AUG 2000	SEP 2000	CHANGE SEP '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	60.6	61.6	60.8	0.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	56.1	56.7	56.1	0.0
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	4.5	4.9	4.7	0.2
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	7.4	8.0	7.7	0.3
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	61.6	61.8	60.9	(0.7)

SOUTHERN

	SEP 1999	AUG 2000	SEP 2000	CHANGE SEP '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	61.8	60.5	60.9	(0.9)
EMPLOYED ('000)	56.8	55.5	55.3	(1.5)
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	5.0	5.0	5.6	0.6
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	8.1	8.3	9.2	1.1
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	59.6	58.2	58.5	(1.1)

HALIFAX

	SEP 1999	AUG 2000	SEP 2000	CHANGE SEP '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	194.0	207.1	206.1	12.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	182.2	194.7	193.6	11.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	11.7	12.4	12.4	0.7
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	6.0	6.0	6.0	0.0
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	68.2	71.7	71.2	3.0

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)
Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	1999		2000	
	AUG	SEP	AUG	SEP
Total	410.1	410.3	416.3	417.6
Goods-Producing Sector	91.2	88.3	89.1	92.1
Agriculture	6.9	7.2	5.8	6.5
Forestry, Fishing, Mining, Oil and Gas	14.7	14.4	14.0	13.4
Utilities	2.3	2.3	2.6	2.9
Construction	22.3	20.0	24.3	25.6
Manufacturing	45.0	44.4	42.4	43.7
Services-Producing Sector	318.9	322.0	327.2	325.5
Trade	70.7	70.9	73.9	76.9
Transportation and Warehousing	21.3	20.9	20.7	21.6
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Leasing	23.0	23.3	21.9	20.3
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	17.8	17.2	18.7	18.8
Management, Administrative and Other Suppor	14.7	15.2	20.1	19.0
Educational Services	30.3	31.0	31.1	32.7
Health Care and Social Assistance	48.3	48.5	51.7	52.0
Information, Culture and Recreation	14.4	15.8	16.9	16.6
Accommodation and Food Services	28.9	28.6	26.8	25.2
Other Services	24.0	24.4	21.6	19.6
Public Administration	25.5	26.1	23.7	22.9

EMPLOYMENT - ACTUAL - 000's

	Total				Full-Time				Part-Time			
	SEP 1999	AUG 2000	SEP 2000	CHANGE SEP '99-'00	SEP 1999	AUG 2000	SEP 2000	CHANGE SEP '99-'00	SEP 1999	AUG 2000	SEP 2000	CHANGE SEP '99-'00
CANADA	14,695.6	15,271.8	15,047.0	351.4	12,029.5	12,881.5	12,319.7	290.2	2,666.0	2,390.3	2,727.3	61.3
NEWFOUNDLAND	214.8	218.3	214.0	(0.8)	160.8	195.2	165.0	4.2	34.0	23.1	29.0	(5.0)
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	63.7	70.6	68.4	4.7	53.9	62.2	57.9	4.0	9.7	8.4	10.5	0.8
NOVA SCOTIA	415.7	434.7	422.0	6.3	344.3	366.9	342.2	(2.1)	71.5	67.8	79.8	8.3
NEW BRUNSWICK	339.6	360.6	348.8	9.2	283.6	317.1	297.5	13.9	56.0	43.5	51.3	(4.7)
QUEBEC	3,399.5	3,527.2	3,477.3	77.8	2,805.7	3,024.9	2,874.3	68.6	593.8	502.3	602.9	9.1
ONTARIO	5,725.5	6,014.5	5,901.5	176.0	4,727.3	5,056.8	4,837.1	109.8	998.2	957.7	1,064.4	66.2
MANITOBA	548.2	567.5	561.9	13.7	441.9	478.9	455.7	13.8	106.2	88.5	106.2	0.0
SASKATCHEWAN	490.4	492.5	487.0	(3.4)	397.4	411.2	397.5	0.1	93.0	81.3	89.5	(3.5)
ALBERTA	1,564.6	1,605.2	1,597.6	33.0	1,274.6	1,357.5	1,304.1	29.5	289.9	247.7	293.5	3.6
BRITISH COLUMBIA	1,933.6	1,980.7	1,968.5	34.9	1,520.0	1,610.6	1,568.2	48.2	413.7	370.1	400.3	(13.4)

15-24 AGE GROUP - ACTUAL

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	SEP 1999	AUG 2000	SEP 2000	CHANGE SEP '99-'00	SEP 1999	AUG 2000	SEP 2000	CHANGE SEP '99-'00	SEP 1999	AUG 2000	SEP 2000	CHANGE SEP '99-'00
CANADA	2,502.1	2,978.5	2,576.3	74.2	2,166.9	2,626.9	2,265.6	98.7	13.4	11.8	12.1	(1.3)
NEWFOUNDLAND	36.8	48.3	37.7	0.9	26.6	36.6	28.6	2.0	27.7	24.2	24.1	(3.6)
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	12.8	17.0	13.3	0.5	10.8	15.2	11.5	0.7	15.6	10.6	12.8	(2.8)
NOVA SCOTIA	75.5	93.8	74.9	(0.6)	64.0	82.0	63.5	(0.5)	15.2	12.6	15.2	0.0
NEW BRUNSWICK	60.2	77.1	60.1	(0.1)	50.0	67.8	52.5	2.5	16.9	12.1	12.6	(4.3)
QUEBEC	567.3	655.0	582.9	15.6	484.0	578.4	513.9	29.9	14.7	11.7	11.8	(2.9)
ONTARIO	937.1	1,163.8	980.1	43.0	819.5	1,034.2	866.1	46.6	12.5	11.1	11.6	(0.9)
MANITOBA	101.8	119.0	107.3	5.5	90.4	108.3	98.0	7.6	11.2	9.0	8.7	(2.5)
SASKATCHEWAN	94.4	108.8	95.7	1.3	84.5	95.6	85.3	0.8	10.5	12.1	11.0	0.5
ALBERTA	296.8	330.9	298.7	1.9	258.1	297.7	271.2	13.1	13.0	10.0	9.2	(3.8)
BRITISH COLUMBIA	319.4	364.8	325.7	6.3	279.0	311.1	274.9	(4.1)	12.6	14.7	15.6	3.0

Jobless by City

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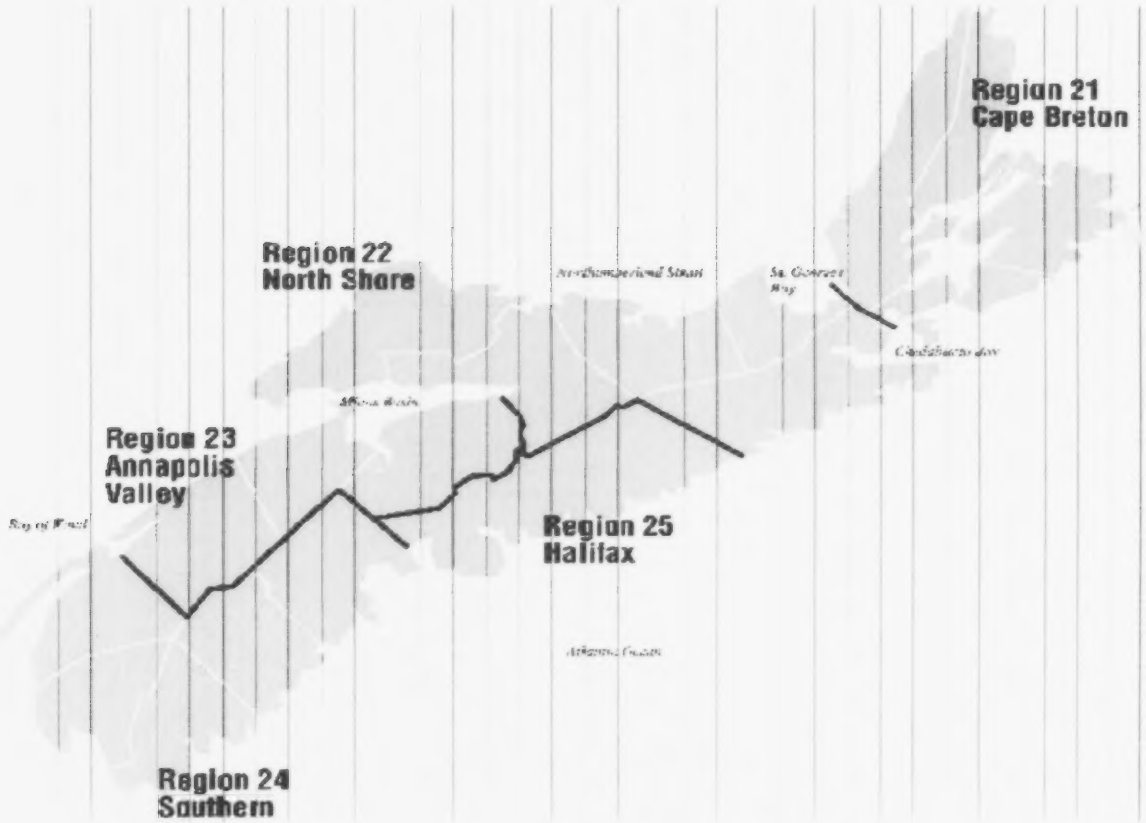
Windsor	4.3	4.5
Regina	5.2	5.2
Winnipeg	5.3	5.2
Toronto	5.3	5.4
St. Catharines-Niagara	5.2	5.5
Oshawa	5.8	5.8
Kitchener	5.5	5.9
Ottawa - Hull	6.0	5.9
Vancouver	5.7	6.0
Saskatoon	6.5	6.0
Halifax	5.9	6.1
Edmonton	6.0	6.1
London	6.4	6.1
Thunder Bay	7.0	7.4
Sherbrooke	7.8	7.4
Victoria	7.4	7.7
Montréal	7.8	7.8
St. John NB	8.2	7.9
Sudbury	7.4	8.3
Québec	8.7	8.7
Chicoutimi - Jonquiére	8.2	9.0
St. John's NF	9.3	9.3
Trois-Rivières	11.2	11.4

Employment Situation
October 2000



NOVA SCOTIA

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION - OCTOBER 2000

CANADA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	OCT 1999	SEP 2000	OCT 2000	CHANGE OCT '99-'00	OCT 1999	SEP 2000	OCT 2000	CHANGE OCT '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	15,759.2	16,055.8	16,090.6	331.4	15,735.5	16,057.8	16,060.9	325.4
EMPLOYED ('000)	14,633.6	14,957.1	14,977.3	343.7	14,704.5	15,047.0	15,041.1	336.6
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	1,125.6	1,098.8	1,113.3	(12.3)	1,031.0	1,010.8	1,019.8	(11.2)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	7.1	6.8	6.9	(0.2)	6.6	6.3	6.3	(0.3)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.5	65.9	66.0	0.5	65.4	65.9	65.9	0.5

NOVA SCOTIA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	OCT 1999	SEP 2000	OCT 2000	CHANGE OCT '99-'00	OCT 1999	SEP 2000	OCT 2000	CHANGE OCT '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	452.7	461.7	461.5	8.8	452.2	461.7	459.4	7.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	410.3	417.6	418.4	8.1	413.7	422.0	421.5	7.8
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	42.4	44.1	43.1	0.7	38.5	39.6	37.9	(0.6)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.4	9.6	9.3	(0.1)	8.5	8.6	8.2	(0.3)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.9	61.6	61.5	0.6	60.9	61.6	61.3	0.4

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

	OCT 1999	SEP 2000	OCT 2000	CHANGE OCT '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	248.5	246.1	246.5	(2.0)
EMPLOYED ('000)	207.7	206.2	205.7	(2.0)
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	40.7	40.0	40.8	0.1
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	14.8	14.6	14.9	0.1
--Seasonally Adjusted	16.4	16.3	16.6	0.2
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	56.7	56.0	56.0	(0.7)

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

	OCT 1999	SEP 2000	OCT 2000	CHANGE OCT '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	71.5	73.5	74.0	2.5
EMPLOYED ('000)	61.9	65.2	64.0	2.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	9.6	8.3	10.0	0.4
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	10.5	8.4	10.6	0.1
--Seasonally Adjusted	13.4	11.3	13.5	0.1
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.0	66.8	67.3	(1.3)

NEW BRUNSWICK

	OCT 1999	SEP 2000	OCT 2000	CHANGE OCT '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	363.0	373.4	373.6	10.6
EMPLOYED ('000)	327.7	337.0	337.3	9.6
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	35.3	36.4	36.4	1.1
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	8.4	7.9	8.2	(0.2)
--Seasonally Adjusted	9.7	9.7	9.7	0.0
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.4	61.8	61.8	1.4

QUEBEC

	OCT 1999	SEP 2000	OCT 2000	CHANGE OCT '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	3,723.0	3,754.8	3,744.9	21.9
EMPLOYED ('000)	3,391.1	3,447.9	3,428.3	37.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	331.9	306.9	316.6	(15.3)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	8.5	7.6	8.0	(0.5)
--Seasonally Adjusted	8.9	8.2	8.5	(0.4)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	63.0	63.2	63.0	0.0

NOTE: For regional unemployment rates, see page 5

Participation rate is the labour force as a % of the population 15 years and over

Non-civilian and inmate population are not included in labour force data

Revisions to historic labour force data were released in February 1997

ONTARIO

	OCT 1999	SEP 2000	OCT 2000	CHANGE OCT '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	6,101.7	6,263.7	6,296.6	194.9
EMPLOYED ('000)	5,743.6	5,899.0	5,926.4	182.8
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	358.1	364.7	370.2	12.1
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	5.3	5.4	5.4	0.1
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.9	5.8	5.9	0.0
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.6	67.3	67.5	0.9

MANITOBA

	OCT 1999	SEP 2000	OCT 2000	CHANGE OCT '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	574.7	584.9	582.7	8.0
EMPLOYED ('000)	543.6	558.7	555.7	12.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	31.1	26.2	27.0	(4.1)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	4.8	4.0	4.1	(0.7)
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.4	4.5	4.6	(0.8)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.3	68.0	67.7	0.4

SASKATCHEWAN

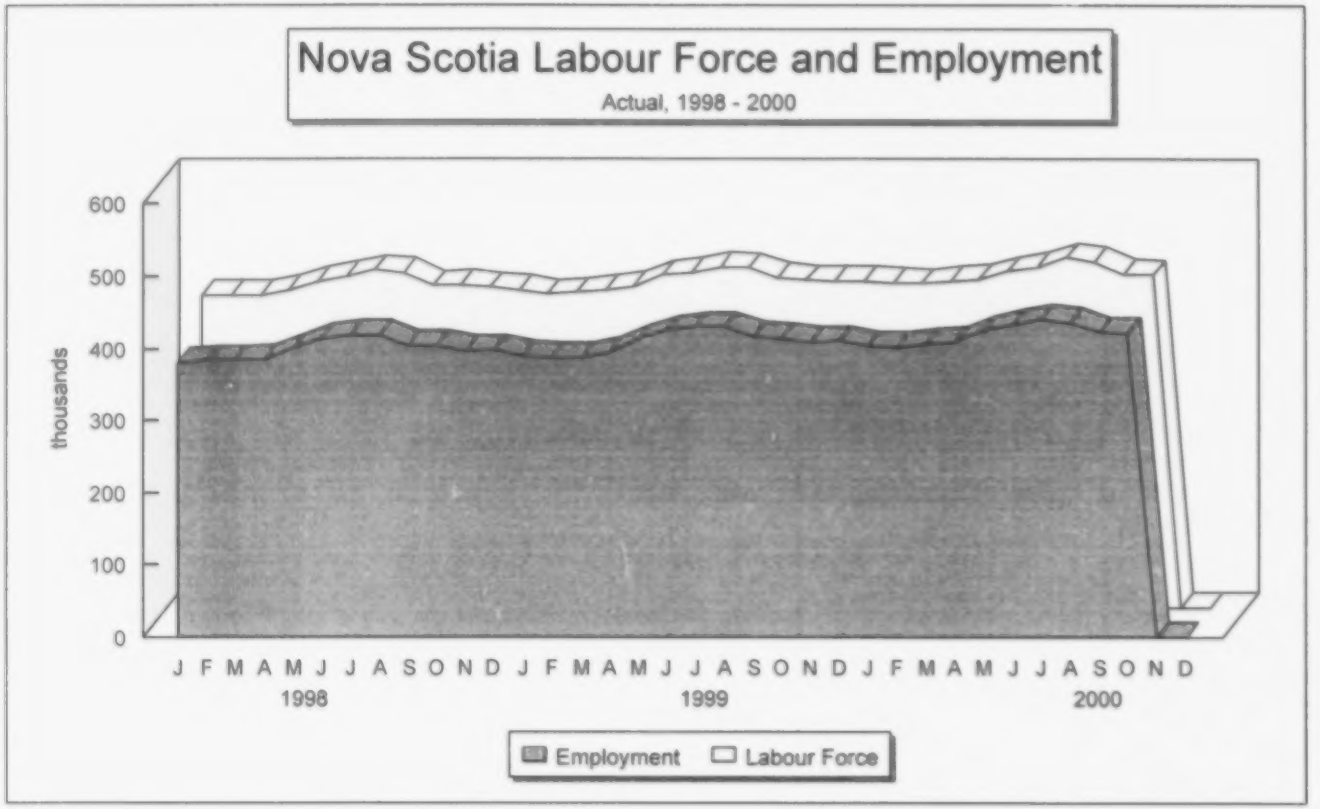
	OCT 1999	SEP 2000	OCT 2000	CHANGE OCT '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	513.9	509.3	512.3	(1.6)
EMPLOYED ('000)	483.3	480.8	484.2	0.9
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	30.6	28.5	28.1	(2.5)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	5.0	4.8	4.6	(0.4)
--Seasonally Adjusted	6.0	5.6	5.5	(0.5)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.4	66.7	67.1	(0.3)

ALBERTA

	OCT 1999	SEP 2000	OCT 2000	CHANGE OCT '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	1,645.6	1,669.9	1,675.9	30.3
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,559.6	1,589.6	1,597.5	37.9
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	85.9	80.3	78.3	(7.6)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	4.8	4.5	4.4	(0.4)
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.2	4.8	4.7	(0.5)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	72.0	71.8	71.9	(0.1)

BRITISH COLUMBIA

	OCT 1999	SEP 2000	OCT 2000	CHANGE OCT '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	2,064.7	2,118.4	2,122.6	57.9
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,904.8	1,954.9	1,959.8	55.0
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	159.9	163.5	162.7	2.8
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	7.1	7.1	6.9	(0.2)
--Seasonally Adjusted	7.7	7.7	7.7	0.0
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	64.4	65.3	65.3	0.9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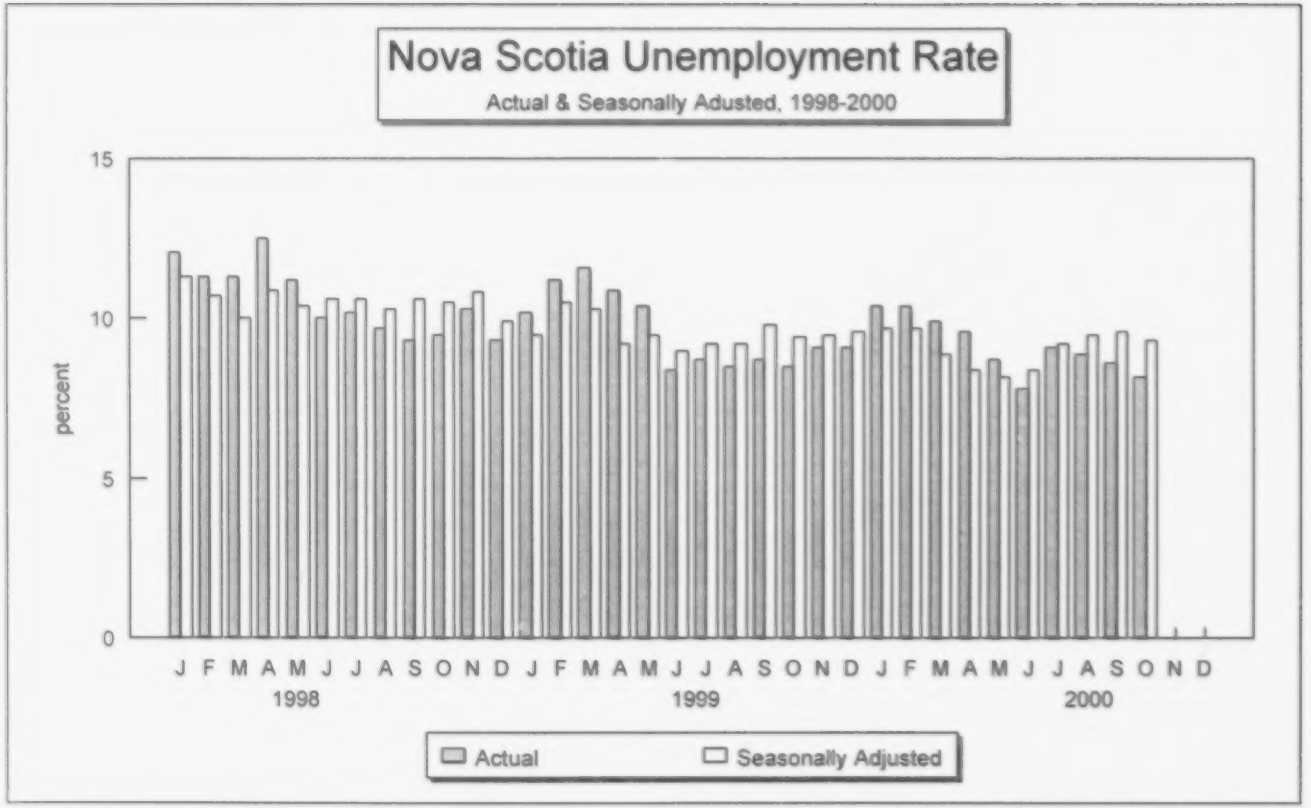
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HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	OCT 1999	SEP 2000	OCT 2000	CHANGE OCT '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	188.2	198.8	197.4	9.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	175.4	186.6	185.9	10.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	12.7	12.2	11.5	(1.2)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	6.7	6.1	5.8	(0.9)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	68.6	71.5	71.0	2.4

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	OCT 1999	SEP 2000	OCT 2000	CHANGE OCT '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	458.9	474.2	466.1	7.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	419.5	432.1	426.1	6.6
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	39.4	42.1	40.1	0.7
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	8.6	8.9	8.6	0.0
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	61.8	63.3	62.2	0.4

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

CAPE BRETON

	OCT 1999	SEP 2000	OCT 2000	CHANGE OCT '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	64.9	64.4	63.3	(1.6)
EMPLOYED ('000)	53.4	53.2	52.5	(0.9)
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	11.5	11.3	10.7	(0.8)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	17.7	17.5	16.9	(0.8)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	52.7	52.5	51.6	(1.1)

NORTH SHORE

	OCT 1999	SEP 2000	OCT 2000	CHANGE OCT '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	79.4	82.0	80.4	1.0
EMPLOYED ('000)	72.8	73.9	73.0	0.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	6.6	8.1	7.5	0.9
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	8.3	9.9	9.3	1.0
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.1	61.7	60.5	0.4

ANNAPOLIS VALLEY

	OCT 1999	SEP 2000	OCT 2000	CHANGE OCT '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	60.3	60.8	59.2	(1.1)
EMPLOYED ('000)	56.2	56.1	54.6	(1.6)
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	4.1	4.7	4.6	0.5
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	6.8	7.7	7.8	1.0
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	61.2	60.9	59.3	(1.9)

SOUTHERN

	OCT 1999	SEP 2000	OCT 2000	CHANGE OCT '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	60.4	60.9	60.0	(0.4)
EMPLOYED ('000)	55.7	55.3	54.4	(1.3)
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	4.7	5.6	5.6	0.9
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	7.8	9.2	9.3	1.5
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	58.2	58.5	57.6	(0.6)

HALIFAX

	OCT 1999	SEP 2000	OCT 2000	CHANGE OCT '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	193.9	206.1	203.2	9.3
EMPLOYED ('000)	181.4	193.6	191.6	10.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	12.5	12.4	11.7	(0.8)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	6.4	6.0	5.8	(0.6)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	68.1	71.2	70.1	2.0

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	1999		2000	
	SEP	OCT	SEP	OCT
Total	410.3	410.3	417.6	418.4
Goods-Producing Sector	88.3	88.9	92.1	92.8
Agriculture	7.2	7.4	6.5	6.6
Forestry, Fishing, Mining, Oil and Gas	14.4	15.2	13.4	13.6
Utilities	2.3	2.1	2.9	2.8
Construction	20.0	20.9	25.6	26.3
Manufacturing	44.4	43.3	43.7	43.5
Services-Producing Sector	322.0	321.3	325.5	325.5
Trade	70.9	70.9	76.9	75.6
Transportation and Warehousing	20.9	21.8	21.6	20.2
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Leasing	23.3	22.8	20.3	21.3
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	17.2	16.5	18.8	18.9
Management, Administrative and Other Suppor	15.2	14.9	19.0	18.7
Educational Services	31.0	31.8	32.7	32.7
Health Care and Social Assistance	48.5	47.6	52.0	51.8
Information, Culture and Recreation	15.8	17.0	16.6	15.7
Accommodation and Food Services	28.6	28.4	25.2	26.1
Other Services	24.4	24.7	19.6	21.4
Public Administration	26.1	25.0	22.9	23.2

EMPLOYMENT - ACTUAL - 000's

	Total				Full-Time				Part-Time			
	OCT 1999	SEP 2000	OCT 2000	CHANGE OCT '99-'00	OCT 1999	SEP 2000	OCT 2000	CHANGE OCT '99-'00	OCT 1999	SEP 2000	OCT 2000	CHANGE OCT '99-'00
CANADA	14,704.5	15,047.0	15,041.1	336.6	11,953.4	12,319.7	12,257.6	304.2	2,751.2	2,727.3	2,783.5	32.3
NEWFOUNDLAND	211.4	214.0	209.8	(1.6)	177.8	185.0	176.6	(1.2)	33.6	29.0	32.3	(1.3)
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	64.0	68.4	65.7	1.7	53.4	57.9	54.8	1.4	10.6	10.5	10.9	0.3
NOVA SCOTIA	413.7	422.0	421.5	7.8	336.3	342.2	343.4	7.1	77.4	79.8	78.1	0.7
NEW BRUNSWICK	334.0	348.8	344.1	10.1	279.5	297.5	294.4	14.9	54.5	51.3	49.7	(4.8)
QUEBEC	3,415.7	3,477.3	3,448.3	32.6	2,810.2	2,874.3	2,839.3	29.1	605.6	602.9	609.0	3.4
ONTARIO	5,760.7	5,901.5	5,943.0	182.3	4,712.5	4,837.1	4,844.4	131.9	1,048.3	1,064.4	1,098.6	50.3
MANITOBA	546.5	561.9	557.5	11.0	442.0	455.7	447.2	5.2	104.5	106.2	110.3	5.8
SASKATCHEWAN	485.9	487.0	486.1	0.2	389.8	397.5	391.4	1.6	96.1	89.5	94.8	(1.3)
ALBERTA	1,560.9	1,597.6	1,597.5	36.6	1,254.7	1,304.1	1,304.3	49.6	306.2	293.5	293.2	(13.0)
BRITISH COLUMBIA	1,911.7	1,968.5	1,967.6	55.9	1,497.2	1,568.2	1,560.9	63.7	414.5	400.3	406.7	(7.8)

15-24 AGE GROUP - ACTUAL

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	OCT 1999	SEP 2000	OCT 2000	CHANGE OCT '99-'00	OCT 1999	SEP 2000	OCT 2000	CHANGE OCT '99-'00	OCT 1999	SEP 2000	OCT 2000	CHANGE OCT '99-'00
CANADA	2,484.0	2,576.3	2,569.5	85.5	2,163.8	2,265.6	2,261.2	97.4	12.9	12.1	12.0	(0.9)
NEWFOUNDLAND	36.3	37.7	37.0	0.7	26.1	28.6	28.3	2.2	27.8	24.1	23.5	(4.3)
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	12.9	13.3	12.4	(0.5)	10.8	11.5	10.6	(0.2)	16.3	12.8	14.5	(1.8)
NOVA SCOTIA	74.2	74.9	75.5	1.3	63.9	63.5	62.6	(1.3)	13.9	15.2	17.1	3.2
NEW BRUNSWICK	59.0	60.1	58.7	(0.3)	50.1	52.5	50.2	0.1	15.1	12.6	14.5	(0.6)
QUEBEC	575.2	582.9	573.0	(2.2)	488.9	513.9	507.7	18.8	15.0	11.8	11.4	(3.6)
ONTARIO	938.0	980.1	998.0	60.0	828.7	866.1	881.5	52.8	11.7	11.6	11.7	0.0
MANITOBA	100.6	107.3	103.0	2.4	89.6	98.0	94.3	4.7	10.9	8.7	8.4	(2.5)
SASKATCHEWAN	91.8	95.7	94.7	2.9	82.4	85.3	85.9	3.5	10.2	11.0	9.3	(0.9)
ALBERTA	296.8	298.7	298.7	1.9	261.0	271.2	267.8	6.8	12.1	9.2	10.4	(1.7)
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Hamilton	4.5	4.8
Windsor	4.5	4.8
Winnipeg	5.2	5.2
Regina	5.2	5.3
Oshawa	5.8	5.6
Saskatoon	6.0	5.8
Edmonton	6.1	5.7
Toronto	5.4	5.8
Halifax	6.1	5.8
Ottawa - Hull	5.9	5.9
St. Catharines-Niagara	5.5	6.2
Kitchener	5.9	6.2
London	6.1	6.2
Vancouver	6.0	6.4
Thunder Bay	7.4	6.8
St. John NB	7.9	7.2
Victoria	7.7	7.7
Montréal	7.8	7.8
Sherbrooke	7.4	7.9
Québec	8.7	7.9
Sudbury	8.3	8.8
St. John's NF	9.3	9.1
Chicoutimi - Jonquiére	9.0	9.8
Trois-Rivières	11.4	11.7

Employment Situation
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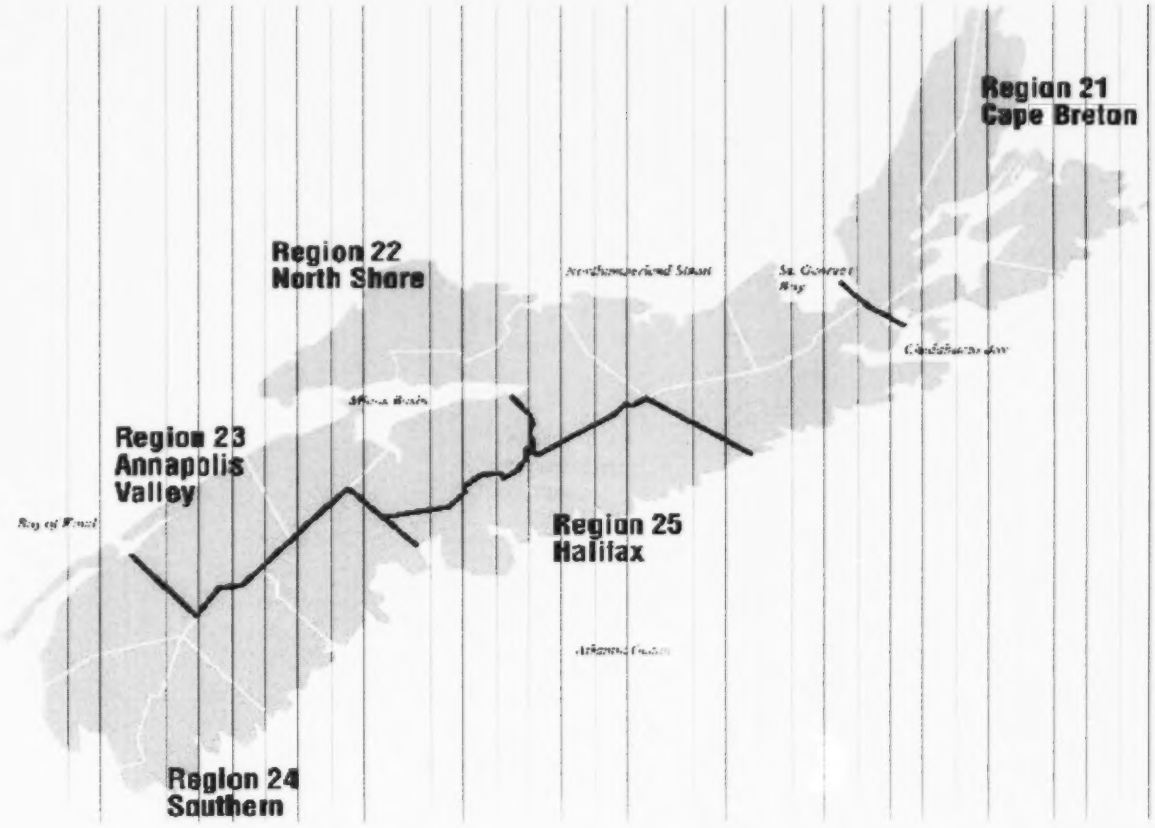

NOVA SCOTIA
Department of Finance

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION - NOVEMBER 2000

CANADA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	NOV 1999	OCT 2000	NOV 2000	CHANGE NOV '99-'00	NOV 1999	OCT 2000	NOV 2000	CHANGE NOV '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	15,780.4	16,090.6	16,148.4	368.0	15,680.4	16,060.9	16,044.6	364.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	14,687.4	14,977.3	15,035.6	348.2	14,649.7	15,041.1	15,004.8	355.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	1,093.0	1,113.3	1,112.8	19.8	1,030.7	1,019.8	1,039.9	9.2
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	6.9	6.9	6.9	0.0	6.6	6.3	6.5	(0.1)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.5	66.0	66.2	0.7	65.1	65.9	65.7	0.6

NOVA SCOTIA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	NOV 1999	OCT 2000	NOV 2000	CHANGE NOV '99-'00	NOV 1999	OCT 2000	NOV 2000	CHANGE NOV '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	454.8	461.5	464.1	9.3	450.5	459.4	459.4	8.9
EMPLOYED ('000)	411.6	418.4	420.2	8.6	409.5	421.5	417.1	7.6
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	43.2	43.1	43.9	0.7	41.0	37.9	42.3	1.3
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.5	9.3	9.5	0.0	9.1	8.2	9.2	0.1
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	61.2	61.5	61.8	0.6	60.6	61.3	61.2	0.6

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

	NOV 1999	OCT 2000	NOV 2000	CHANGE NOV '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	250.7	246.5	249.2	(1.5)
EMPLOYED ('000)	211.4	205.7	205.4	(6.0)
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	39.3	40.8	43.8	4.5
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	14.4	14.9	15.8	1.4
--Seasonally Adjusted	15.7	16.6	17.6	1.9
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	57.1	56.0	56.6	(0.5)

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

	NOV 1999	OCT 2000	NOV 2000	CHANGE NOV '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	72.6	74.0	73.7	1.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	62.9	64.0	63.5	0.6
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	9.6	10.0	10.2	0.6
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	13.9	10.6	14.6	0.7
--Seasonally Adjusted	13.2	13.5	13.8	0.6
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.9	67.3	67.0	(0.1)

NEW BRUNSWICK

	NOV 1999	OCT 2000	NOV 2000	CHANGE NOV '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	366.6	373.6	378.7	12.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	331.2	337.3	338.9	7.7
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	35.3	36.4	39.8	4.5
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	9.1	8.2	9.9	0.8
--Seasonally Adjusted	9.6	9.7	10.5	0.9
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	61.0	61.8	62.6	1.6

QUEBEC

	NOV 1999	OCT 2000	NOV 2000	CHANGE NOV '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	3,723.0	3,744.9	3,749.1	26.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	3,413.7	3,428.3	3,437.5	23.8
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	309.3	316.6	311.6	2.3
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	8.2	8.0	8.1	(0.1)
--Seasonally Adjusted	8.3	8.5	8.3	0.0
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	63.0	63.0	63.0	0.0

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ONTARIO

	NOV 1999	OCT 2000	NOV 2000	CHANGE NOV '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	6,090.5	6,296.6	6,340.6	250.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	5,746.2	5,926.4	5,961.8	215.6
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	344.3	370.2	378.8	34.5
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	5.1	5.4	5.4	0.3
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.7	5.9	6.0	0.3
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.4	67.5	67.9	1.5

MANITOBA

	NOV 1999	OCT 2000	NOV 2000	CHANGE NOV '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	577.3	582.7	583.3	6.0
EMPLOYED ('000)	547.1	555.7	555.0	7.9
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	30.2	27.0	28.3	(1.9)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	5.0	4.1	4.7	(0.3)
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.2	4.6	4.9	(0.3)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.6	67.7	67.8	0.2

SASKATCHEWAN

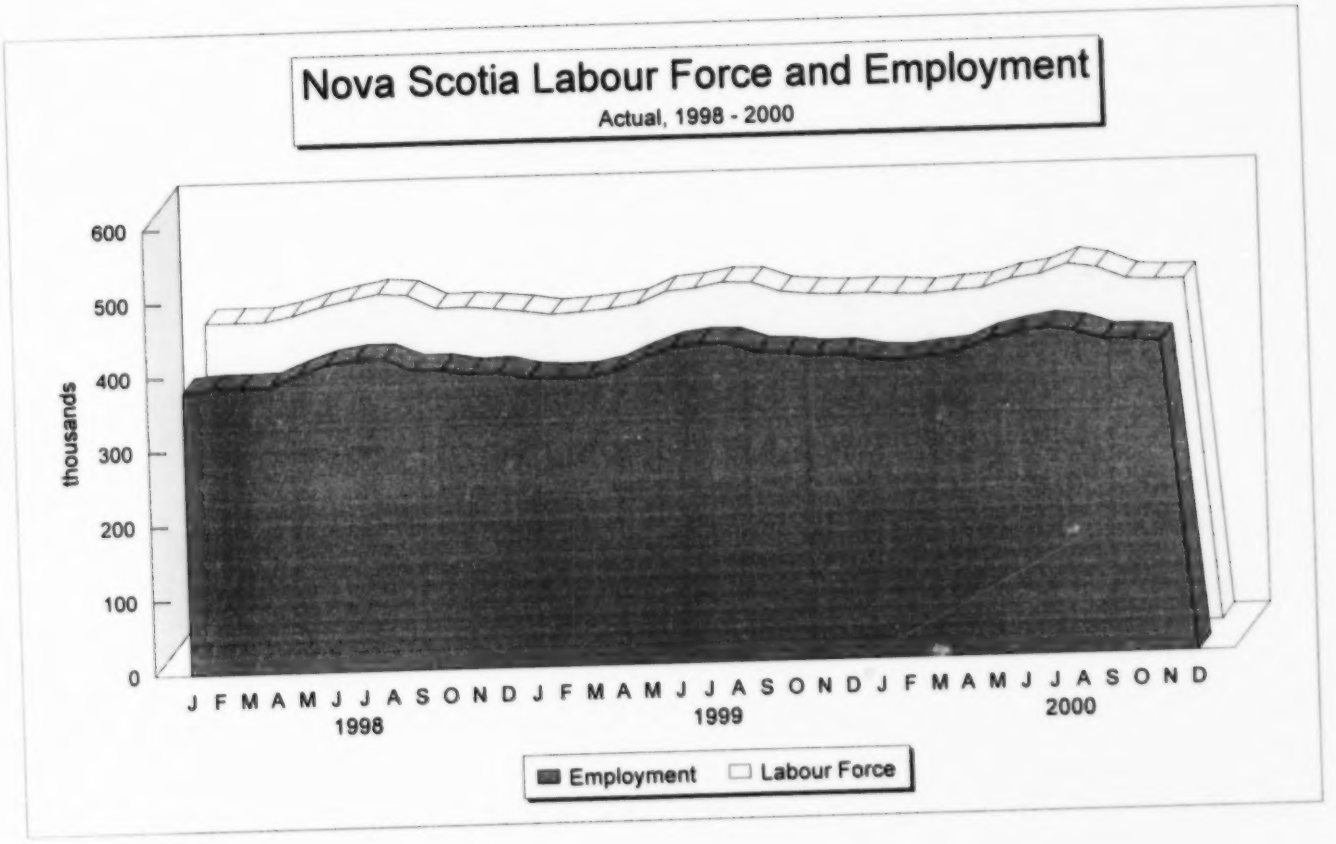
	NOV 1999	OCT 2000	NOV 2000	CHANGE NOV '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	510.9	512.3	510.8	(0.1)
EMPLOYED ('000)	483.6	484.2	484.8	1.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	27.3	28.1	26.0	(1.3)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	4.8	4.6	4.5	(0.3)
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.3	5.5	5.1	(0.2)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.0	67.1	66.9	(0.1)

ALBERTA

	NOV 1999	OCT 2000	NOV 2000	CHANGE NOV '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	1,651.7	1,675.9	1,687.8	36.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,562.9	1,597.5	1,604.5	41.6
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	88.7	78.3	83.3	(5.4)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	5.1	4.4	4.8	(0.3)
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.4	4.7	4.9	(0.5)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	72.2	71.9	72.3	0.1

BRITISH COLUMBIA

	NOV 1999	OCT 2000	NOV 2000	CHANGE NOV '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	2,082.4	2,122.6	2,111.2	28.8
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,916.8	1,959.8	1,964.1	47.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	165.6	162.7	147.1	(18.5)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	7.8	6.9	6.7	(1.1)
--Seasonally Adjusted	8.0	7.7	7.0	(1.0)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	64.9	65.3	64.9	0.0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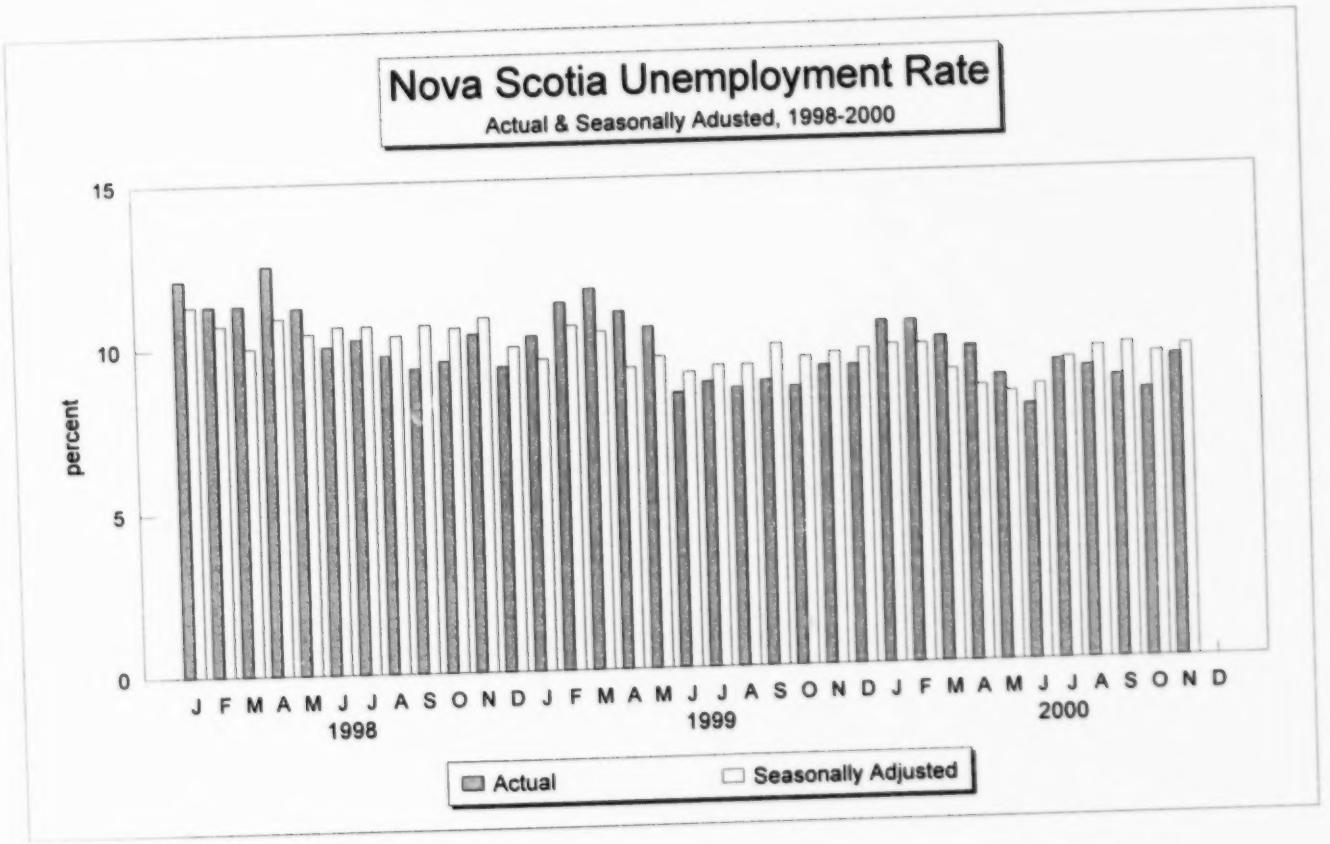
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HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	NOV 1999	OCT 2000	NOV 2000	CHANGE NOV '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	189.1	197.4	196.7	7.6
EMPLOYED ('000)	176.6	185.9	185.0	8.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	12.5	11.5	11.6	(0.9)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	6.6	5.8	5.9	(0.7)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	68.9	71.0	70.6	1.7

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	NOV 1999	OCT 2000	NOV 2000	CHANGE NOV '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	452.7	466.1	460.1	7.4
EMPLOYED ('000)	413.0	426.1	420.2	7.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	39.7	40.1	39.9	0.2
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	8.8	8.6	8.7	(0.1)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.9	62.2	61.4	0.5

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

CAPE BRETON

	NOV 1999	OCT 2000	NOV 2000	CHANGE NOV '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	62.7	63.3	62.3	(0.4)
EMPLOYED ('000)	51.3	52.5	51.7	0.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	11.5	10.7	10.6	(0.9)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	18.3	16.9	17.0	(1.3)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	50.9	51.6	50.8	(0.1)

NORTH SHORE

	NOV 1999	OCT 2000	NOV 2000	CHANGE NOV '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	75.9	80.4	78.1	2.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	69.9	73.0	71.1	1.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	6.0	7.5	7.0	1.0
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	7.9	9.3	9.0	1.1
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	57.4	60.5	58.7	1.3

ANNAPOLIS VALLEY

	NOV 1999	OCT 2000	NOV 2000	CHANGE NOV '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	60.3	59.2	57.9	(2.4)
EMPLOYED ('000)	56.4	54.6	53.7	(2.7)
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	3.9	4.6	4.1	0.2
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	6.5	7.8	7.1	0.6
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	61.2	59.3	57.8	(3.4)

SOUTHERN

	NOV 1999	OCT 2000	NOV 2000	CHANGE NOV '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	59.0	60.0	59.9	0.9
EMPLOYED ('000)	53.3	54.4	53.5	0.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	5.7	5.6	6.4	0.7
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.7	9.3	10.7	1.0
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	56.8	57.6	57.5	0.7

HALIFAX

	NOV 1999	OCT 2000	NOV 2000	CHANGE NOV '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	194.7	203.2	202.0	7.3
EMPLOYED ('000)	182.1	191.6	190.2	8.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	12.6	11.7	11.8	(0.8)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	6.5	5.8	5.8	(0.7)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	68.3	70.1	69.6	1.3

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	1999		2000	
	OCT	NOV	OCT	NOV
Total	410.3	411.6	418.4	420.2
Goods-Producing Sector	88.9	90.8	92.8	95.4
Agriculture	7.4	7.8	6.6	7.2
Forestry, Fishing, Mining, Oil and Gas	15.2	15.3	13.6	13.1
Utilities	2.1	2.5	2.8	2.7
Construction	20.9	20.7	26.3	27.2
Manufacturing	43.3	44.6	43.5	45.3
Services-Producing Sector	321.3	320.8	325.5	324.7
Trade	70.9	71.5	75.6	76.5
Transportation and Warehousing	21.8	21.8	20.2	20.0
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Leasing	22.8	22.8	21.3	20.3
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	16.5	15.0	18.9	17.8
Management, Administrative and Other Suppo	14.9	15.0	18.7	18.0
Educational Services	31.8	31.1	32.7	33.4
Health Care and Social Assistance	47.6	47.8	51.8	50.8
Information, Culture and Recreation	17.0	17.4	15.7	15.4
Accommodation and Food Services	28.4	29.1	26.1	26.1
Other Services	24.7	23.6	21.4	21.4
Public Administration	25.0	25.7	23.2	25.0

EMPLOYMENT - ACTUAL - 000's

	Total				Full-Time				Part-Time			
				CHANGE				CHANGE				CHANGE
	NOV 1999	OCT 2000	NOV 2000	NOV '99-'00	NOV 1999	OCT 2000	NOV 2000	NOV '99-'00	NOV 1999	OCT 2000	NOV 2000	NOV '99-'00
CANADA	14,649.7	15,041.1	15,004.8	355.1	11,885.9	12,257.6	12,210.5	324.6	2,763.8	2,783.5	2,794.3	30.5
NEWFOUNDLAND	211.7	209.8	207.9	(3.8)	178.2	176.6	176.8	(1.4)	33.6	32.3	31.1	(2.5)
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	60.7	65.7	61.0	0.3	49.5	54.8	50.8	1.3	11.2	10.9	10.2	(1.0)
NOVA SCOTIA	409.5	421.5	417.1	7.6	330.4	343.4	339.4	9.0	79.1	78.1	77.7	(1.4)
NEW BRUNSWICK	326.8	344.1	337.5	8.7	273.6	294.4	284.3	10.7	55.2	49.7	53.2	(2.0)
QUEBEC	3,398.1	3,448.3	3,423.7	25.6	2,781.5	2,839.3	2,833.9	52.4	616.6	609.0	589.8	(26.8)
ONTARIO	5,747.2	5,943.0	5,966.5	219.3	4,718.4	4,844.4	4,858.4	140.0	1,028.8	1,098.6	1,108.0	79.2
MANITOBA	545.6	557.5	552.5	6.9	436.3	447.2	438.7	2.4	109.3	110.3	113.8	4.5
SASKATCHEWAN	479.7	486.1	481.1	1.4	375.9	391.4	382.9	7.0	103.8	94.8	98.2	(5.6)
ALBERTA	1,559.3	1,597.5	1,601.8	42.5	1,251.7	1,304.3	1,303.6	51.9	307.5	293.2	298.3	(9.2)
BRITISH COLUMBIA	1,909.2	1,967.6	1,955.6	46.4	1,490.4	1,560.9	1,541.7	51.3	418.8	406.7	414.0	(4.8)

15-24 AGE GROUP - ACTUAL

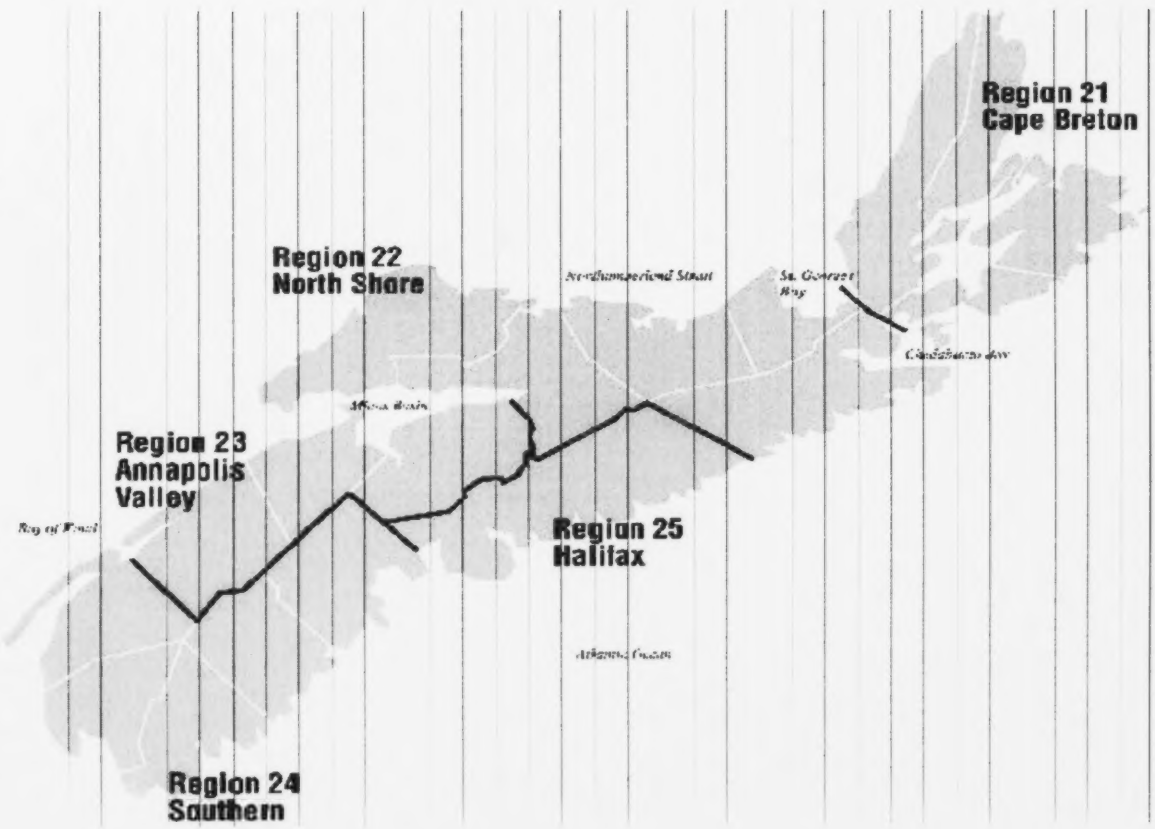
	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
				CHANGE				CHANGE				CHANGE
	NOV 1999	OCT 2000	NOV 2000	NOV '99-'00	NOV 1999	OCT 2000	NOV 2000	NOV '99-'00	NOV 1999	OCT 2000	NOV 2000	NOV '99-'00
CANADA	2,466.3	2,569.5	2,550.4	84.1	2,160.4	2,261.2	2,247.7	87.3	12.4	12.0	11.9	(0.5)
NEWFOUNDLAND	35.6	37.0	35.3	(0.3)	26.9	28.3	27.3	0.4	24.4	23.5	22.4	(2.0)
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	12.3	12.4	12.0	(0.3)	10.2	10.5	9.4	(0.8)	17.1	14.5	20.8	3.7
NOVA SCOTIA	73.0	75.5	74.4	1.4	62.7	62.6	62.8	0.1	14.0	17.1	15.6	1.6
NEW BRUNSWICK	58.5	58.7	59.8	1.3	49.7	50.2	50.0	0.3	15.0	14.5	16.4	1.4
QUEBEC	567.6	573.0	570.6	3.0	487.3	507.7	500.8	13.5	14.2	11.4	12.2	(2.0)
ONTARIO	921.7	998.0	990.3	68.6	826.3	881.5	878.5	52.2	10.3	11.7	11.3	1.0
MANITOBA	101.6	103.0	103.9	2.3	91.5	94.3	95.4	3.9	9.9	8.4	8.1	(1.8)
SASKATCHEWAN	89.4	94.7	92.8	3.4	81.4	85.9	84.9	3.5	8.9	9.3	8.5	(0.4)
ALBERTA	299.0	298.7	298.4	(0.6)	258.2	267.8	269.3	11.1	13.7	10.4	9.8	(3.9)
BRITISH COLUMBIA	307.7	318.5	313.0	5.3	266.1	272.5	269.2	3.1	13.5	14.4	14.0	0.5

Jobless by City

Statistics Canada also released seasonally adjusted three-month moving average unemployment rates for major cities but cautioned that figures may fluctuate widely because they are based on small statistical samples. The rates for November for the following metropolitan areas are shown in ascending order.

	Oct 2000	Nov 2000
Calgary	4.1	3.9
Winnipeg	5.0	4.9
Regina	5.3	5.0
Windsor	4.8	5.1
Ottawa - Hull	5.9	5.4
Hamilton	4.8	5.5
Saskatoon	5.6	5.5
Edmonton	5.7	5.6
Toronto	5.8	5.6
Halifax	5.8	5.9
London	6.2	5.9
Oshawa	5.6	6.0
Vancouver	6.4	6.1
Kitchener	6.2	6.3
St. Catharines-Niagara	6.2	6.3
Thunder Bay	6.8	6.9
Victoria	7.7	7.3
St. John NB	7.2	7.4
Québec	7.9	7.5
Montréal	7.8	7.8
Sherbrooke	7.9	7.8
Sudbury	8.8	9.1
St. John's NF	9.1	9.1
Chicoutimi - Jonquiére	9.8	10.0
Trois-Rivières	11.7	11.3

Employment Situation
December 2000



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EMPLOYMENT SITUATION - DECEMBER 2000

CANADA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	DEC 1999	NOV 2000	DEC 2000	CHANGE DEC '99-'00	DEC 1999	NOV 2000	DEC 2000	CHANGE DEC '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	15,822.3	16,148.4	16,170.4	348.1	15,642.9	16,044.6	15,989.8	346.9
EMPLOYED ('000)	14,747.5	15,035.6	15,066.7	319.2	14,648.4	15,004.8	14,974.5	326.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	1,074.9	1,112.8	1,103.7	28.8	994.5	1,039.9	1,015.3	20.8
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	6.8	6.9	6.8	0.0	6.4	6.5	6.3	(0.1)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.6	66.2	66.2	0.6	64.9	65.7	65.4	0.5

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	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	DEC 1999	NOV 2000	DEC 2000	CHANGE DEC '99-'00	DEC 1999	NOV 2000	DEC 2000	CHANGE DEC '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	457.9	464.1	467.4	9.5	451.4	459.4	461.6	10.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	413.9	420.2	425.6	11.7	410.3	417.1	422.5	12.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	44.1	43.9	41.8	(2.3)	41.1	42.3	39.2	(1.9)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.6	9.5	8.9	(0.7)	9.1	9.2	8.5	(0.6)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	61.6	61.8	62.3	0.7	60.7	61.2	61.5	0.8

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

	DEC 1999	NOV 2000	DEC 2000	CHANGE DEC '99-'00	DEC 1999	NOV 2000	DEC 2000	CHANGE DEC '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	245.8	249.2	248.6	2.8	73.0	73.7	74.0	1.0
EMPLOYED ('000)	211.2	205.4	204.7	(6.5)	63.7	63.5	65.3	1.6
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	34.6	43.8	43.9	9.3	9.3	10.2	8.7	(0.6)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	13.2	15.8	16.7	3.5	14.7	14.6	13.7	(1.0)
--Seasonally Adjusted	14.1	17.6	17.7	3.6	12.7	13.8	11.8	(0.9)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	56.0	56.6	56.5	0.5	67.2	67.0	67.2	0.0

NEW BRUNSWICK

QUEBEC

	DEC 1999	NOV 2000	DEC 2000	CHANGE DEC '99-'00	DEC 1999	NOV 2000	DEC 2000	CHANGE DEC '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	366.7	378.7	375.7	9.0	3,726.5	3,749.1	3,753.3	26.8
EMPLOYED ('000)	329.4	338.9	338.3	8.9	3,425.6	3,437.5	3,451.4	25.8
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	37.3	39.8	37.4	0.1	300.9	311.6	301.9	1.0
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	10.0	9.9	9.8	(0.2)	7.9	8.1	7.7	(0.2)
--Seasonally Adjusted	10.2	10.5	10.0	(0.2)	8.1	8.3	8.0	(0.1)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	61.0	62.6	62.1	1.1	63.0	63.0	63.0	0.0

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ONTARIO

	DEC 1999	NOV 2000	DEC 2000	CHANGE DEC '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	6,112.3	6,340.6	6,342.8	230.5
EMPLOYED ('000)	5,774.0	5,961.8	5,960.4	186.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	338.3	378.8	382.3	44.0
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	4.9	5.4	5.4	0.5
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.5	6.0	6.0	0.5
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.6	67.9	67.8	1.2

MANITOBA

	DEC 1999	NOV 2000	DEC 2000	CHANGE DEC '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	575.7	583.3	584.8	9.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	546.0	555.0	556.3	10.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	29.7	28.3	28.5	(1.2)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	5.2	4.7	4.9	(0.3)
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.2	4.9	4.9	(0.3)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.3	67.8	68.0	0.7

SASKATCHEWAN

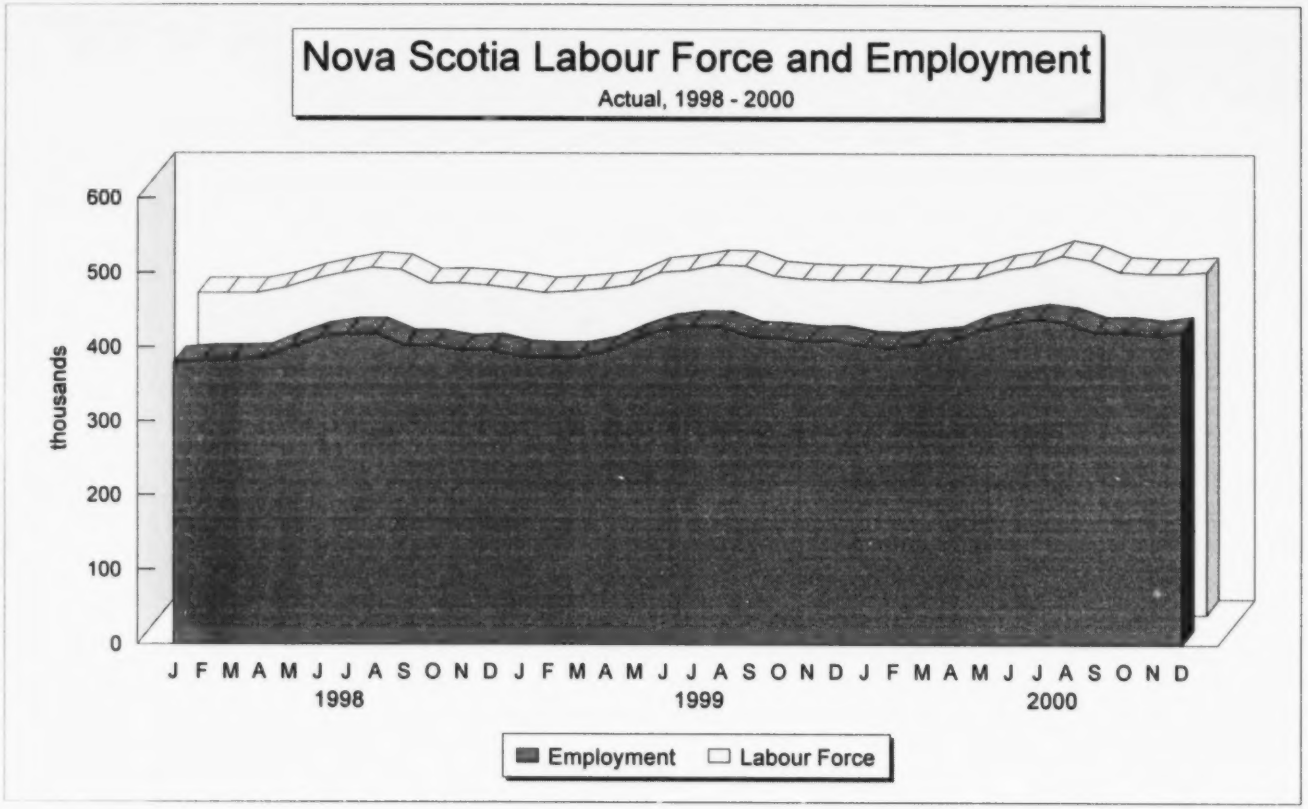
	DEC 1999	NOV 2000	DEC 2000	CHANGE DEC '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	511.0	510.8	506.1	(4.9)
EMPLOYED ('000)	483.9	484.8	479.2	(4.7)
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	27.1	26.0	26.9	(0.2)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	4.8	4.5	4.9	0.1
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.3	5.1	5.3	0.0
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.0	66.9	66.3	(0.7)

ALBERTA

	DEC 1999	NOV 2000	DEC 2000	CHANGE DEC '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	1,662.0	1,687.8	1,695.0	33.0
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,571.7	1,604.5	1,613.0	41.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	90.3	83.3	82.0	(8.3)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	4.9	4.8	4.4	(0.5)
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.4	4.9	4.8	(0.6)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	72.6	72.3	72.5	(0.1)

BRITISH COLUMBIA

	DEC 1999	NOV 2000	DEC 2000	CHANGE DEC '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	2,091.4	2,111.2	2,122.8	31.4
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,928.2	1,964.1	1,972.5	44.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	163.2	147.1	150.2	(13.0)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	7.2	6.7	6.5	(0.7)
--Seasonally Adjusted	7.8	7.0	7.1	(0.7)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.1	64.9	65.2	0.1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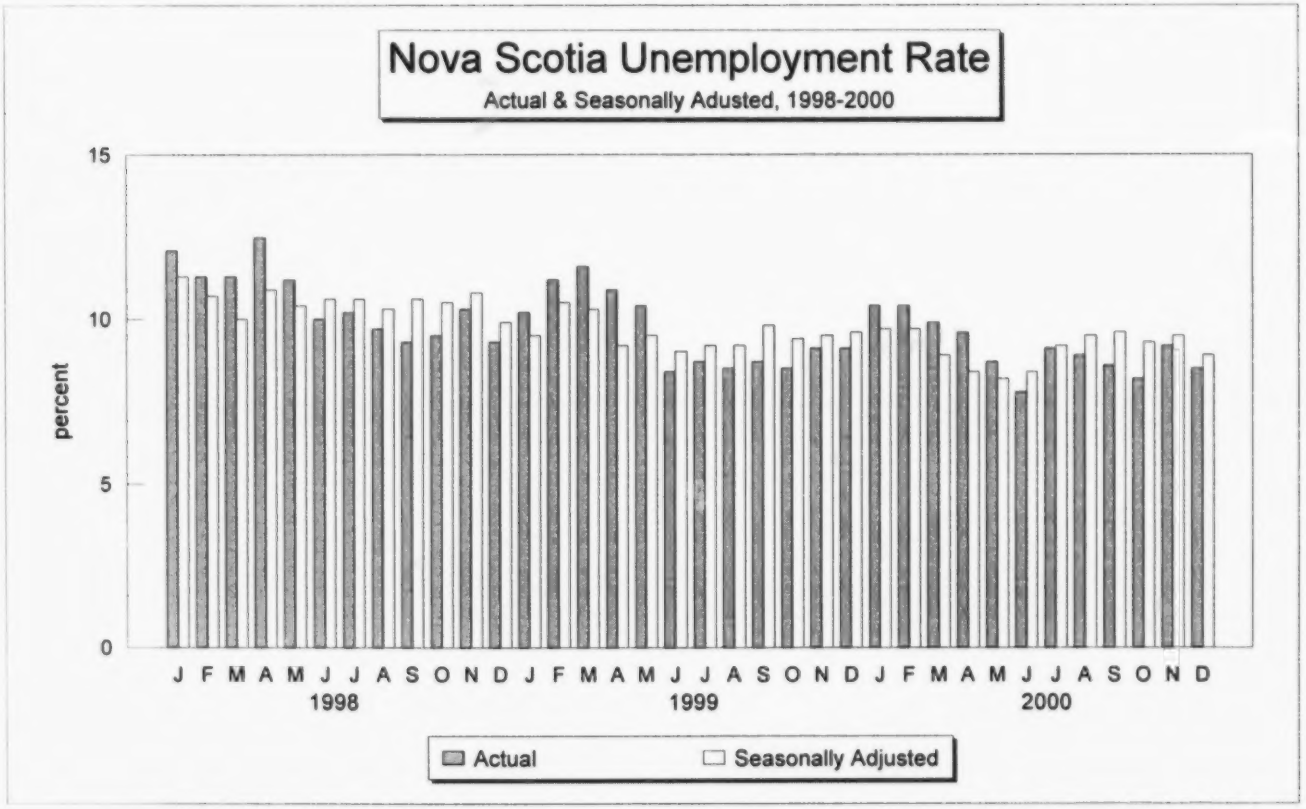
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HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	DEC 1999	NOV 2000	DEC 2000	CHANGE DEC '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	190.2	196.7	196.5	6.3
EMPLOYED ('000)	176.8	185.0	184.5	7.7
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	13.3	11.6	12.0	(1.3)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	7.0	5.9	6.1	(0.9)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	69.2	70.6	70.5	1.3

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	DEC 1999	NOV 2000	DEC 2000	CHANGE DEC '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	451.4	460.1	460.1	8.7
EMPLOYED ('000)	411.1	420.2	420.4	9.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	40.2	39.9	39.8	(0.4)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	8.9	8.7	8.7	(0.2)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.7	61.4	61.3	0.6

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

CAPE BRETON

	DEC 1999	NOV 2000	DEC 2000	CHANGE DEC '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	61.7	62.3	62.9	1.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	50.8	51.7	52.5	1.7
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	10.9	10.6	10.4	(0.5)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	17.7	17.0	16.5	(1.2)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	50.1	50.8	51.3	1.2

NORTH SHORE

	DEC 1999	NOV 2000	DEC 2000	CHANGE DEC '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	75.1	78.1	76.7	1.6
EMPLOYED ('000)	69.1	71.1	69.9	0.8
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	6.0	7.0	6.9	0.9
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	8.0	9.0	9.0	1.0
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	56.8	58.7	57.7	0.9

ANNAPOLIS VALLEY

	DEC 1999	NOV 2000	DEC 2000	CHANGE DEC '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	59.7	57.9	58.1	(1.6)
EMPLOYED ('000)	55.5	53.7	54.1	(1.4)
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	4.1	4.1	4.0	(0.1)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	6.9	7.1	6.9	0.0
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.4	57.8	58.0	(2.4)

SOUTHERN

	DEC 1999	NOV 2000	DEC 2000	CHANGE DEC '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	58.8	59.9	59.7	0.9
EMPLOYED ('000)	52.9	53.5	53.4	0.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	5.9	6.4	6.3	0.4
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	10.0	10.7	10.6	0.6
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	56.6	57.5	57.3	0.7

HALIFAX

	DEC 1999	NOV 2000	DEC 2000	CHANGE DEC '99-'00
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	196.0	202.0	202.8	6.8
EMPLOYED ('000)	182.8	190.2	190.5	7.7
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	13.2	11.8	12.2	(1.0)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	6.7	5.8	6.0	(0.7)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	68.7	69.6	69.8	1.1

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	1999		2000	
	NOV	DEC	NOV	DEC
Total	411.6	413.9	420.2	425.6
Goods-Producing Sector	90.8	92.4	95.4	96.8
Agriculture	7.8	7.9	7.2	7.6
Forestry, Fishing, Mining, Oil and Gas	15.3	16.4	13.1	13.4
Utilities	2.5	2.5	2.7	2.8
Construction	20.7	20.6	27.2	27.1
Manufacturing	44.6	45.0	45.3	45.9
Services-Producing Sector	320.8	321.5	324.7	328.7
Trade	71.5	72.4	76.5	78.6
Transportation and Warehousing	21.8	21.7	20.0	20.4
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Leasing	22.8	23.3	20.3	21.1
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	15.0	14.8	17.8	18.6
Management, Administrative and Other Suppo	15.0	15.0	18.0	18.8
Educational Services	31.1	31.7	33.4	32.1
Health Care and Social Assistance	47.8	47.5	50.8	50.1
Information, Culture and Recreation	17.4	16.3	15.4	16.3
Accommodation and Food Services	29.1	28.8	26.1	26.0
Other Services	23.6	24.3	21.4	20.8
Public Administration	25.7	25.7	25.0	26.0

EMPLOYMENT - ACTUAL - 000's

	Total				Full-Time				Part-Time			
	DEC 1999	NOV 2000	DEC 2000	CHANGE DEC '99-'00	DEC 1999	NOV 2000	DEC 2000	CHANGE DEC '99-'00	DEC 1999	NOV 2000	DEC 2000	CHANGE DEC '99-'00
CANADA	14,648.4	15,004.8	14,974.5	326.1	11,850.7	12,210.5	12,121.3	270.6	2,797.7	2,794.3	2,853.1	55.4
NEWFOUNDLAND	205.2	207.9	199.5	(5.7)	169.8	176.8	169.2	(0.6)	35.4	31.1	30.4	(5.0)
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	59.9	61.0	61.3	1.4	48.6	50.8	50.5	1.9	11.3	10.2	10.8	(0.5)
NOVA SCOTIA	410.3	417.1	422.5	12.2	333.8	339.4	341.5	7.7	76.5	77.7	80.9	4.4
NEW BRUNSWICK	320.9	337.5	330.7	9.8	264.2	284.3	277.6	13.4	56.7	53.2	53.1	(3.6)
QUEBEC	3,390.5	3,423.7	3,422.4	31.9	2,774.8	2,833.9	2,785.6	10.8	615.7	589.8	636.8	21.1
ONTARIO	5,759.6	5,966.5	5,947.5	187.9	4,691.1	4,858.4	4,843.5	152.4	1,068.4	1,108.0	1,104.0	35.6
MANITOBA	542.3	552.5	551.6	9.3	433.0	438.7	430.4	(2.6)	109.3	113.8	121.1	11.8
SASKATCHEWAN	479.6	481.1	474.1	(5.5)	374.7	382.9	376.3	1.6	104.9	98.2	97.8	(7.1)
ALBERTA	1,561.9	1,601.8	1,604.5	42.6	1,251.0	1,303.6	1,293.1	42.1	310.9	298.3	311.4	0.5
BRITISH COLUMBIA	1,918.3	1,955.6	1,960.3	42.0	1,509.6	1,541.7	1,553.5	43.9	408.6	414.0	406.8	(1.8)

15-24 AGE GROUP - ACTUAL

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	DEC 1999	NOV 2000	DEC 2000	CHANGE DEC '99-'00	DEC 1999	NOV 2000	DEC 2000	CHANGE DEC '99-'00	DEC 1999	NOV 2000	DEC 2000	CHANGE DEC '99-'00
CANADA	2,458.4	2,550.4	2,551.1	92.7	2,176.6	2,247.7	2,271.4	94.8	11.5	11.9	11.0	(0.5)
NEWFOUNDLAND	33.3	35.3	33.7	0.4	26.8	27.3	26.7	(0.1)	19.5	22.4	20.8	1.3
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	12.3	12.0	12.0	(0.3)	10.3	9.4	9.4	(0.9)	16.3	20.8	21.7	5.4
NOVA SCOTIA	72.2	74.4	76.0	3.8	61.9	62.8	65.4	3.5	14.3	15.6	13.9	(0.4)
NEW BRUNSWICK	57.6	59.8	58.5	0.9	48.9	50.0	49.1	0.2	15.1	16.4	16.2	1.1
QUEBEC	568.9	570.6	572.7	3.8	489.5	500.8	504.8	15.3	14.0	12.2	11.9	(2.1)
ONTARIO	922.2	990.3	984.2	62.0	833.7	878.5	881.5	47.8	9.6	11.3	10.4	0.8
MANITOBA	99.9	103.9	106.2	6.3	90.9	95.4	97.9	7.0	9.1	8.1	7.8	(1.3)
SASKATCHEWAN	88.8	92.8	92.3	3.5	81.4	84.9	83.5	2.1	8.3	8.5	9.5	1.2
ALBERTA	295.3	298.4	297.1	1.8	262.9	269.3	273.6	10.7	11.0	9.8	7.9	(3.1)
BRITISH COLUMBIA	308.0	313.0	318.3	10.3	270.2	269.2	279.5	9.3	12.3	14.0	12.2	(0.1)

Jobless by City

Statistics Canada also released seasonally adjusted three-month moving average unemployment rates for major cities but cautioned that figures may fluctuate widely because they are based on small statistical samples. The rates for December for the following metropolitan areas are shown in ascending order.

	Nov 2000	Dec 2000
Calgary	3.9	4.0
Regina	5.0	4.8
Winnipeg	4.9	4.9
Ottawa - Hull	5.4	5.1
Saskatoon	5.5	5.3
Windsor	5.1	5.6
Edmonton	5.6	5.6
Oshawa	5.6	5.6
Toronto	5.6	5.8
London	5.9	5.9
Hamilton	5.5	5.9
Vancouver	6.1	5.9
Halifax	5.9	6.1
Kitchener	6.3	6.3
St. Catharines-Niagara	6.3	6.6
Québec	7.5	6.7
Victoria	7.3	6.8
Thunder Bay	6.9	6.9
St. John NB	7.4	7.7
Sherbrooke	7.8	7.7
Montréal	7.8	7.9
Sudbury	9.1	8.4
St. John's NF	9.1	8.9
Trois-Rivières	11.3	10.0
Chicoutimi - Jonquiére	10.0	10.2